

When to Apply

As soon as you have incurred or know that you will incur non-reimbursed costs related to a human organ transplant that may be covered by the fund.

Types of Transplants Covered

Covered transplants include kidney, cornea, bone marrow, heart, liver, heart/lung, small intestine and pancreas.

How to Apply

Complete the Organ Transplant Fund Application available on the DHS website, where you can also find more information about the program. If you need more information, you can also call 401-574-8474 or email DHS.OrganTransplantFund@dhs.ri.gov

Ways to Reach Us

- The Customer Portal at HealthyRhode.RI.Gov
- Reaching out to the Call Center by dialing 1-855-697-4347
- Visiting our regional offices across Rhode Island

Office Locations

219 Pond Street
Woonsocket, RI 02895
FAX: 1-401-235-1273

31 John Clarke Road
Middletown, RI 02842
FAX: 1-401-619-7201

*125 Holden Street
Providence, RI 02908
FAX: 1-401-462-8052

*249 Roosevelt Avenue
Pawtucket, RI 02860
FAX: 1-401-721-6659

4808 Tower Hill Road
Suite G1
Wakefield, RI 02870
FAX: 1-401-782-4316

*Offices with Document Scanning Centers

Appointments are required for the following locations:

The Shepard Building, 80 Washington Street
Providence, 02903
FAX: (401) 537-7876

The Hazard Building, Building 74
41 West Road, Cranston
FAX: 1-401-736-1442 or 1-401-736-1443



Organ Transplant Fund

DHS.RI.GOV | 1-855-MY-RIDHS

INTRODUCTION

The Rhode Island Organ Transplant Fund is administered by the Rhode Island Department of Human Services (DHS) Health Care Eligibility and Services Unit. The fund is a supplemental benefit to help Rhode Island families and residents cover eligible transplant-related costs that are not reimbursed by insurance or another funding source.



ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be considered eligible for funding, the transplant recipient must meet the following criteria:

- Covered under a health insurance plan which specifically includes coverage for organ transplant expenses related to the recipient's particular condition.
- After the recipient's insurer has made payment, any resulting non-reimbursed costs such as plan deductibles and co-insurance will be considered for reimbursement as a covered service.
- Documentation from the insurer such as a copy of the insurance booklet or insurance card will be required as proof of such non-reimbursed costs.
- The transplant recipient must have been a resident of the state of Rhode Island for at least one year prior to the date of the transplant operation.
- Applicants must submit a copy of the most recent Rhode Island Income Tax Return, demonstrating that the Adjusted Gross Income of the transplant recipient, or parents if a minor or dependent, does not exceed seven hundred percent (700%) of the federal poverty level (FPL).

COVERED SERVICES

Covered services under the fund include only non-reimbursed costs for organ transplant expenses such as:

- Payment of COBRA premiums, up to 6 months.
- Hospital and other medically necessary health services payable according to standard local charges.
- Medications prescribed for organ transplant maintenance are eligible for reimbursement. The fund will pay up to 50% of the average wholesale price or 50% of the applicant's unreimbursed cost, whichever amount is lower.
- Out of state living expenses for an eligible family member, for up to 60 days during the transplant period. Reimbursement is limited to the current per diem rate allowed for state employees for lodging and meals.
- Lifetime reimbursement is limited to \$15,000, based on income eligibility and availability of funds.