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FOOT & ANKLE CLINIC

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Ways to Help Pay for Your Foot Care

Our Clinic is committed to helping patients access affordable professional foot care services. There may be several options available to help reduce or cover the cost of your appointments.

1. Affordable In-Clinic Foot Care

For patients paying privately, our doctors and Scarlett offer affordable foot care appointments in the clinic setting.

2. Personal Health Benefits or Private Insurance

Some private insurance plans or health spending accounts may provide reimbursement for foot care services.

Patients are responsible for:

- Checking their individual coverage
- Submitting claims to their insurance provider when applicable

Receipts can be provided upon request. **We cannot direct bill for appointments.**

3. Doctor's referral

Alberta Health will cover the full cost of two appointments per year with some restrictions. The appointment must be with the podiatrist. You must be an Alberta resident with a valid Alberta Health Care number. The referral must come from an Alberta-licensed physician or nurse practitioner, and the referrals must be six months apart. Referrals do not cover visit fees with Scarlett Williamson, our Foot Nurse.

4. Special Needs Assistance for Seniors Program

Some seniors may qualify for financial assistance through the Alberta Government's Special Needs Assistance for Seniors program

This program is income-based and may reimburse the cost of routine foot care services for:

- **Nail trimming and Callus care only**; this does not include appointment fees for other foot issues.

Possible coverage:

- Up to \$32 per month for routine maintenance foot care



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Eligibility is based on income from the previous tax year. For more information, please visit:

[Alberta Seniors Special Needs Assistance Program](#)

5. Alberta Blue Cross Seniors Coverage **(In-Home or Care Centre Visits with Scarlett Williamson Only)**

Eligible seniors may qualify for Alberta Blue Cross Seniors coverage for routine in-home foot care services.

To qualify:

- You must not have other insurance coverage
- You will need a prescription from your Family Physician stating that you require routine professional in-home foot care services
- Prescriptions are valid for 1 year and must be renewed annually

Coverage Information:

- Alberta Blue Cross Seniors may cover up to \$200 per household per benefit year (July 1 – June 30)
- Coverage is not guaranteed
- Any amount not covered becomes the patient's responsibility

Current Fees:

- \$35 per appointment (lodge or care facility foot care clinic)
- \$50 per in-home or in-room appointment
- Additional travel fees may apply outside of Lethbridge

Payment Methods Accepted for in-home appointments:

- Cash
- Cheque
- E-transfer

Please bring:

- Your doctor's prescription
- Alberta Health Care card

Questions?

If you are unsure whether you may qualify for coverage or assistance, please contact our office. We would be happy to help guide you through the available options. Phone: 403-331-3338