Residential Facilities

**Nursing Homes**
How Nursing Homes Are Organized and Administered
Nursing homes in Nunavut are residential long term care facilities that provide accommodation, supervisory care, personal care and nursing and medical services on a 24-hour basis.

Assessment, waiting lists and admission into a nursing home are managed by the local Regional Health Authorities. Once the assessment is conducted, the client must be approved by a board of professionals before he/she can enter a nursing home.

**Eligibility/Requirements for Admission**
To be eligible for admission into nursing homes a client must:

- be a citizen or permanent resident of Canada
- be a resident of Nunavut
- have been assessed as needing a nursing home level of care and have been approved by the board

**Income/Asset Test**
There is no income or asset test.

**Costs**
There are no fees for nursing home care. Nursing homes are entirely subsidized by the government.

Home Care

**Government-subsidized Home Care**
How Government-subsidized Home Care Is Organized and Administered
Home support services are designed to help clients remain independent and in their own home as long as possible. Home support provides personal assistance with daily activities, such as bathing, dressing, grooming and light household tasks that help to maintain a safe and supportive home.

In Nunavut, home care is managed by the local Regional Health Authorities. The local Regional Health Authority will conduct an assessment to determine needs and develop a care plan accordingly. The actual number of hours of home care allotted to a client depends upon assessment and availability, but as a rough guideline there is a 5 hour maximum per week for home making services such as laundry and cleaning (available Monday to Friday only) and a 2 hour maximum per day for personal care services such as bathing and dressing. Nursing care hours vary with each client. A client who is palliative receives as much care as he/she needs. If a client is not palliative but needs more care than the maximum hours dictated in the assessment for personal care and home making services, it is recommended that the client go into a nursing home.
Eligibility/Requirements for Admission
To be eligible for home care, a client must:

› be a citizen or permanent resident of Canada
› be a resident of Nunavut
› have been assessed as needing home care

Costs
There are no fees for home care. Home care is entirely subsidized by the government.

Private Home Care
Research did not indicate any private formal sources of home care.