

## FUNDING PROGRAM POLICIES

The Toronto Chapter of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada is pleased to offer funding programs to assist members with MS. Through these programs, we hope to help our members achieve greater independence and safety, improve their quality of life and ease their financial burdens.

The funding programs provide support in the following four areas:

- 1) Air conditioning, which includes long-term loans of window units.
- 2) Equipment, which includes long-term loans and financial assistance towards purchases.
- 3) Home help, which provides a subsidy of up to \$55 per month towards cleaning services.
- 4) Incontinence supplies, which provides a subsidy of up to \$25 per month towards the cost of incontinence products.

In order to be eligible for the funding programs, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Live in Toronto (excluding Scarborough, which has its own chapter).
- Have a confirmed diagnosis of MS (first time applicants must provide proof of diagnosis from their family physician or neurologist).
- Complete a funding program application.
- Be a member of the Toronto Chapter (new memberships will be activated with application).

Please note the following:

- Each request is considered on an individual basis and is contingent upon the Toronto Chapter's financial situation at the time the application is received.
- Our funding is meant to supplement existing government programs and other available funding, including the resources of the applicant and their family. Alternative sources of funding and cost sharing will always be explored so we can meet the needs of as many members as possible.
- Due to limited funds and high service demands, we do not provide short-term equipment loans or pay for equipment rentals. We do not fund home renovations or vehicle modifications.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Funding Program Manager at 416-967-3033.

