

**ENHANCED RURAL LIVING PROGRAM FAQ'S**

**What is the program?**

A subsidy program developed in partnership with Northumberland County designed to address some of the needs identified in the 'Northumberland Housing and Homelessness Plan 2014-2023'. Specifically to help residents living in rural areas to stay healthy and live safely in their homes as well as have access to affordable transportation for their living and medical needs.

**Who is eligible to apply?**

- Individuals facing a financial burden which puts them at risk for: improper nutrition, ill effects on health, social isolation, or housing instability/homelessness.
- Must reside within Northumberland County and must become registered as a CCN client.
- Priority will be given to those residing in the rural areas of the county, with others considered on a case-by-case basis.

**What can be Subsidized/Enhanced?**

Any Community Care Northumberland services or programs may be enhanced:

- Friendly Visiting
- Home Help & Maintenance
- Meals on Wheels
- Support for Caregivers
- Transportation (Accessible Service, Rural Service and Volunteer Driving)
- Personal Distress Alarms

**What are the limitations of the subsidy?**

The program is funded through a grant from Northumberland County. Individual subsidy amounts and time period approved may vary depending on the amount of support requested, results of the needs assessment and the balance in the Enhanced Rural Living fund. All subsidy coverage will be reviewed at the end of each calendar year.

**How do I refer someone?**

Call or complete and fax a referral form to your local Community Care Northumberland office. The local Program Coordinator or Program Assistant will contact the applicant to discuss the process and set up a meeting to complete the means test.

**Need more information?**

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