

Finding Accommodation



The B.C. Government website offers a “Medical Travel Accommodation Listing” webpage.

The listed accommodations offer a discounted rate to patients and their families who need to travel for medical care. You can search by location and arrival/departure dates to find available properties as well as information about what is included such as parking and WiFi.

When looking for accommodations, ask for the “medical rate”.

www.bccancer.bc.ca/health-info/coping-with-cancer/practical-support/transportation-lodging

Financial Assistance

Canadian Cancer Society, Travel Treatment Fund offers financial assistance that may help with travel costs for some patients with low income. Check to see if this program is right for you call 1 888 939 3333.

First Nations Health Authority offers status First Nation BC residents health related services and BC medical insurance benefits that may include medical transportation to attend cancer appointments. To learn more call 1 800 317 7878.

Ministry of Social Development & Poverty Reduction may cover the costs of medical travel for people receiving Income Assistance or Persons with Disabilities (PWD) benefits.

BC Bus Pass program is available for low income seniors and people with PWD designation.

Call 1 866 866 0800 and speak with a representative.

Veterans Affairs, Independence Program may offer funding for attending cancer appointments. Contact your Veterans representative.

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Provincial Health Services Authority

Travelling to Abbotsford for Cancer Treatment



Patient & Family Counselling

32900 Marshall Rd,
Abbotsford B.C. V2S 0C2
604 851 4733

Community Transportation

Archway Community Services

Transportation to medical appointments for seniors living in Abbotsford (fee for service). Call 604 866 5147.

Agassiz/Harrison Community Driver Program

Transportation program to medical appointments (fee for service). Call 604 798 6228.

Care Transit (Hope, B.C.)

Medical transportation for people with no other options. Must have a physician referral and register. Call 604 869 3396.

Chilliwack Community Services Driver Program

Transportation to attend medical appointments within the area of Hope to Vancouver. There is a per/km cost. The average cost from Chilliwack to Abbotsford is about \$55-60 return trip, not including parking. If the patient's treatment is more than 3 hours there is an additional charge for wait time for the driver. Call 778 860 4666.

St John Ambulance Community Transfer Program

Door-to-point-of-care transfers for people of all ages, who are in a wheelchair or stretcher, and have non-life threatening medical conditions that make regular vehicle transfers challenging. Call 604 630 1228.

Volunteer Cancer Drivers Society

Free rides to and from cancer-related medical appointments in many areas in the Lower Mainland. Rides in Abbotsford, Langley, Maple Ridge, Pitt Meadows and Mission. Based on volunteer availability. Call 604 515 5400 to book a ride or enquire about routes.

Bus Service

BC Transit

Central Fraser Valley has a trip planner and bus schedule on their website. For customer information call 604 854 3232

HandyDART

Offers accessible, door-to-door shared transit service for people with permanent or temporary disabilities. Customers must first register, it takes 2-4 weeks to approve. To book a ride or cancel a trip call 604 575 6600 or toll-free 1 844 475 6600.

- Register for a HandyCARD for reduced rates.
- Taxi Saver vouchers are available. Call 604 953 3680 for more information.

Ebus

Ebus is a privately owned bus service with a standard fare and an online fare. Book tickets online and receive a 5% discount. Routes in Surrey, Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Hope, Merritt and Interior B.C. Call toll-free 1 877 769 3287.

Parking

Abbotsford Regional Hospital & Cancer Centre (ARHCC) Parking Lot & Pass

Pay parking is available in the ARHCC visitor parking lots. Pay at the machine inside the entry doors. You will need your license plate number. Cost is \$2.50 per hour or portion.

BC Cancer patients can use senior's rate for purchasing a weekly or monthly pass at lot #1525.

Peace Lutheran Church Parking Lot

Peace Lutheran Church offers parking for free in their lot but you must sign a waiver. You can get the waiver at the church reception or BC Cancer volunteer desk on 1st floor. Location is 2029 Ware St. The church is a ten minute walk to ARHCC. Call the church at 604 859 5409.

Street Parking

Street parking around Abbotsford Regional Hospital and Cancer Centre is usually for neighborhood residents only.