Possible weekly supplements (on top of the base payment/benefit)

| **Supplement** | **Eligibility** | **Examples of what may be covered (This may vary from case to case)** |
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| **Supported Living Payment (SLP)** | Paid to people permanently and severely restricted in how much work they can do because of sickness, injury or disability. | A base payment/benefit which additional payments are then added to. |
| **Accommodation Supplement** | A weekly payment which helps people with their rent, board or the cost of owning a home. | Helps to pay rent, board or mortgage in locations where the base payment does not cover the cost accommodation |
| **Disability Allowance (DA)** | Paid to people who have regular, ongoing costs because of their disability which are not fully covered by another agency. Each person is assessed personally based on the expenses they can prove. Usually the maximum is $60.54 per week. | * Doctor/specialist/hospital fees * Prescription costs * Travel to medical appointments * Heating/electrical bills * Medical alarm rental and monitoring |
| **Temporary Additional Support (TAS)** | A weekly payment which helps meet essential living costs. This added support may be paid for up to 13 weeks and then will be reassessed. (TAS payments may in some cases become ongoing.) As with DA above, each person is assessed on the costs they can prove. | **Non-repayable supplement** (in most cases)   * Rent payment over and above what's covered by the Accommodation Supplement * Hire purchase (fridge TV etc) * Vehicle payments * Credit card repayment * Fines |

Special needs grants

These grants help, in certain circumstances, to pay for something when there is no other way of paying for it.

| **Grant** | **Eligibility** | **Examples of what may be covered (This may vary from case to case)** |
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| **Re-establishment grant** | If the person has lived in a residential home for 6 months or more they may be able to receive rent and bond in advance and other assistance for furniture, appliances, connection of utilities and other personal requirements.  (Up to $1200 – may be more depending on the case) | **Repayable grant**(in most cases)   * Rent in advance * Bond   **Non-repayable grant** (in most cases)   * Furniture * Appliances * Bedding and towels * Toiletries * Clothing |
| **Additional special needs grants** | Funding may also be available to help pay for costs that cannot be met at any particular time.  (It is dependent on each person’s situation) | **Repayable grant**(in most cases)   * Whiteware * Medical and dental costs   **Non-repayable grant** (in most cases)   * Power (up to 3 monthly bills per annum) * Food (including the initial stocking of their cupboards) * Landline phone rental allowance (if they live alone) |
| **Transition to work grant** | If the person is able to work, they may qualify for a this grant which helps with the extra costs of moving into a job | It can help to pay for things such as:   * Job search costs * Job interview costs * Tools or clothing needed for work |
| **Work bonus** | This payment is made to people receiving certain benefits, such as the Supported Living Payment, who choose to move into paid work | Expenses that occur in the first few weeks of working |