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Your Personal Care & Disability Support Report

Myself — Health, Disability & Care Supports

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This report identified:

Confirmed
Supports

9

€ 98,318/year

To be
Reviewed

20

€ 148,372/year

Total Annual
Potential

€ 246,690

across all supports

Your Profile Summary

Application type	Myself
County	Dublin
Age	58
Income band	€ 200–€ 280/week
Housing	Homeowner
Lives alone	Yes
HRC status	Met
PRSI record	Yes (~520 weeks est.)

Match Score (0 – 100)

Each support is scored based on how well your profile aligns with its eligibility rules. A higher score means a stronger, more certain match. **75–100 (green)** = strong match; **50–74 (amber)** = likely eligible with minor conditions; **below 50 (grey)** = possible but less certain.

Application Difficulty (● to ●●●●●)

Reflects how much effort is typically required to apply.

Automatic = no application needed; **Easy** = straightforward online form; **Moderate** = some documentation required; **Involved** = means test or PRSI records needed; **Complex** = medical assessments or specialist reports required.

■ Your Priority Grants

Highest-value supports you appear clearly eligible for:

Housing Adaptation Grant Disability — € 40,000/year

Grant for significant home adaptations for people with a disability. Maximum € 40000. Income-tested with 100% grant for incomes under € 37500/year. Applied through local authority.

SEAI Warmer Homes Scheme — Free energy upgrades (value varies widely - avg € 10000-25000)

Free home energy upgrades (insulation, heating system, windows) for homeowners on qualifying welfare payments. Home must be owner-occupied, built before 2006 with BER rating C or below.

Personal Assistant Service — Assessed hours of PA support

HSE-funded personal assistant for people with physical and/or sensory disabilities. More person-centred than home help - PA assists with all daily activities chosen by the individual.

Mobility Aids Grant — € 8,000/year

Fast-track grant for basic works specifically addressing mobility problems in the home. Maximum € 8000. Lower income threshold than Housing Adaptation Grant. Quicker processing.

Long Term Illness Scheme — Free specified drugs and appliances for listed conditions

Free drugs, medicines and medical appliances for treatment of specific listed conditions only. No means test. No age limit. Must be ordinarily resident in Ireland.

Combined annual potential from top 5 grant(s): € 95,400

Report summary: 9 confirmed support(s) (~€ 98,318/year) + **20 to verify** (~€ 148,372/year additional potential).

✓ Confirmed Eligible Supports

You appear clearly eligible for the following based on your answers.

DSP — Supplementary Benefits

Living Alone Increase

DSP • DSP — Supplementary Benefits

82/100

●... Automatic

Additional weekly payment for people on qualifying social welfare payments who live entirely alone. Added automatically to qualifying payment. No separate application needed.

2026 Rate: € 22/week

Fuel Allowance

DSP • DSP — Supplementary Benefits

75/100

●●● Moderate

Seasonal payment to help with home heating costs during winter. € 38/week paid over approximately 28 weeks (total € 1064/year). Must be on a qualifying primary DSP payment and not in full-time work.

2026 Rate: € 38/week for ~28 weeks (€ 1064/year)

€ 38/week from Jan 2026 (€ 5 increase).

Household Benefits Package

DSP • DSP — Supplementary Benefits

75/100

●... Automatic

Package including electricity or gas allowance (€ 35/month) and free TV licence. Automatic for people aged 70+. Also available under 70 on specific disability or carer payments.

2026 Rate: € 35/month electricity/gas + free TV licence (~€ 580/year total)

Automatic at age 70 regardless of income.

Telephone Support Allowance

DSP • DSP — Supplementary Benefits

71/100

●... Automatic

Small additional weekly payment for people receiving both the Living Alone Increase and Fuel Allowance. Paid automatically - no application needed. Helps with cost of telephone or internet.

2026 Rate: € 2.50/week (€ 130/year)

Health & Medical Supports

Personal Assistant Service

HSE • Health & Medical Supports

75/100

●●●● Involved

HSE-funded personal assistant for people with physical and/or sensory disabilities. More person-centred than home help - PA assists with all daily activities chosen by the individual.

2026 Rate: Assessed hours of PA support

For people with physical and/or sensory disabilities.

Long Term Illness Scheme

HSE • Health & Medical Supports

70/100

●●●● Involved

Free drugs, medicines and medical appliances for treatment of specific listed conditions only. No means test. No age limit. Must be ordinarily resident in Ireland.

2026 Rate: Free specified drugs and appliances for listed conditions

Not means-tested - available regardless of income.

Housing Grants & Adaptations

Housing Adaptation Grant Disability

Local_Authority • Housing Grants & Adaptations

85/100

●●● Moderate

Grant for significant home adaptations for people with a disability. Maximum € 40000. Income-tested with 100% grant for incomes under € 37500/year. Applied through local authority.

2026 Rate: € 40,000/year

Mobility Aids Grant

Local_Authority • Housing Grants & Adaptations

80/100

●●● Moderate

Fast-track grant for basic works specifically addressing mobility problems in the home. Maximum € 8000. Lower income threshold than Housing Adaptation Grant. Quicker processing.

2026 Rate: € 8,000/year

Energy & Home Improvements

SEAI Warmer Homes Scheme

SEAI • Energy & Home Improvements

93/100

●●● Moderate

Free home energy upgrades (insulation, heating system, windows) for homeowners on qualifying welfare payments. Home must be owner-occupied, built before 2006 with BER rating C or below.

2026 Rate: Free energy upgrades (value varies widely - avg € 10000-25000)

Qualifying welfare payments: Fuel Allowance; Jobseeker's Allowance (6+ months with child under 7); Working Family Payment; One-Parent Family Payment; Carer's Allowance (if living with care recipient); Disability Allowance.

Where to start: Your strongest confirmed matches are **Housing Adaptation Grant Disability**, **SEAI Warmer Homes Scheme** and **Personal Assistant Service**. Contact your GrantMatch Care advisor to begin the application process — we handle the paperwork, follow-ups, and appeals so you don't have to. See the grant cards above for key notes on each payment.

■ Verify Before Applying

These supports are potentially available but require you to verify specific details first. Review the flags below each entry.

DSP — Disability Payments

Occupational Injury Benefit

DSP • DSP — Disability Payments

61/100
●●● Moderate

PRSI-based payment for people injured at work or travelling to/from work or who contracted an occupational disease. Higher rate than Illness Benefit. No minimum PRSI contributions required.

2026 Rate: ~€ 275/week

Rate approximately € 275/week from Jan 2026 (higher than standard IB).

■ *Occupational Injury Benefit specifically requires the illness or injury to be work-related (accident at work, travelling to/from work, or occupational disease). If your condition is not work-related, you will not qualify — consider Illness Benefit or Disability Allowance instead.*

Invalidity Pension

DSP • DSP — Disability Payments

61/100
● Automatic

PRSI-based weekly payment for people permanently incapable of work due to illness or disability. Requires 12 months incapacity and Class A PRSI contributions. Cannot work (except voluntary).

2026 Rate: € 259.50/week

Rate increases from € 249.

■ *You are currently receiving Disability Allowance. Invalidity Pension pays more (€ 259.50/week, not means-tested) — it may be worth switching if you have 260+ paid PRSI contributions. You cannot receive both simultaneously.*

Illness Benefit

DSP • DSP — Disability Payments

61/100
●●● Moderate

Short-term PRSI-based weekly payment for people unable to work due to illness. Requires Class A PRSI.

Maximum 2 years (624 payment days). First 6 days not covered.

2026 Rate: € 254/week

Rate € 254/week from Jan 2026.

■ *Illness Benefit and Disability Allowance are not paid simultaneously. IB is a short-term PRSI-based payment — if you are on DA, IB is generally not applicable unless you recently moved from employment.*

DSP — Supplementary Benefits

Back to Education Allowance

DSP • DSP — Supplementary Benefits

81/100

●●●● Moderate

Allows people on qualifying DSP payments to attend approved full-time second or third level education while retaining their social welfare payment at current rate.

2026 Rate: Same weekly rate as qualifying payment

Must have been on qualifying payment for at least 9 months (consecutive).

■ *Back to Education Allowance is only available if you intend to attend an approved full-time course. If education is not in your plans, this grant does not apply.*

Supplementary Welfare Allowance

DSP • DSP — Supplementary Benefits

53/100

●●●● Moderate

Basic means-tested income support for people with no income or income below SWA rate. Administered through Community Welfare Officer at Intreo Centre. Covers basic living costs.

2026 Rate: € 230/week single (approx); supplements income up to this level

Basic SWA single rate approximately € 230/week in 2026.

■ *Income may be borderline — stated range goes up to € 280/week, limit is € 230/week. Confirm exact figure with DSP/HSE.*

Exceptional Needs Payment

DSP • DSP — Supplementary Benefits

40/100

●●●● Involved

One-off or regular payment from Community Welfare Officer for people facing urgent or exceptional financial need that cannot be met by their weekly income. Also called Additional Needs Payment.

2026 Rate: Assessed case by case

No fixed rate - assessed individually by Community Welfare Officer.

■ *Means-tested — income threshold applies. Confirm eligibility with administering body.*

Free Travel Pass

DSP • DSP — Supplementary Benefits

47/100

●●●● Automatic

Free unlimited travel on public transport throughout Ireland and cross-border. Automatic for all people aged 66+. Under 66 qualify on certain disability/illness payments. Companion pass available.

2026 Rate: Free unlimited public transport travel

Automatic for all residents 66+.

Diet Supplement

DSP • DSP — Supplementary Benefits

43/100

●●●●● Involved

Means-tested weekly supplement from Community Welfare Officer towards cost of special diet required by a medical condition such as coeliac disease or diabetes.

2026 Rate: Up to ~€ 12/week

Up to approximately € 12/week depending on special dietary requirement.

■ Means-tested — income threshold applies. Confirm eligibility with administering body.

Heating Supplement

DSP • DSP — Supplementary Benefits

43/100

●●●●● Involved

Means-tested weekly supplement for people with exceptional heating needs due to medical condition or who do not qualify for Fuel Allowance but need extra heating support.

2026 Rate: Assessed weekly amount

Weekly amount assessed by CWO based on individual circumstances and medical need.

■ Means-tested — income threshold applies. Confirm eligibility with administering body.

Health & Medical Supports

National Treatment Purchase Fund

HSE • Health & Medical Supports

65/100

●●●●● Moderate

Access to elective treatment in approved private or independent hospitals for public patients on HSE waiting lists. Funded by State. No cost to patient. For patients waiting 6+ months.

2026 Rate: Free elective treatment at approved private hospitals

For public patients who have been waiting 6+ months on an inpatient or day case waiting list.

Home Help Service

HSE • Health & Medical Supports

65/100

●●●●● Involved

HSE-funded personal care and domestic assistance for elderly and disabled people living at home. Hours allocated based on care needs assessment. No means test.

2026 Rate: Assessed hours of home care (no direct monetary value)

Community Health Aids and Appliances

HSE • Health & Medical Supports

68/100

●●●●● Complex

HSE provision of aids, appliances and equipment (wheelchairs, hoists, orthotics, hearing aids) for people with disabilities or illness. OT assessment typically required.

2026 Rate: OT-assessed provision of aids and appliances

Includes: wheelchairs (manual and powered); pressure relief mattresses/cushions; hoists; orthotics; continence products; communication aids; specialist seating.

Drug Payment Scheme

HSE • Health & Medical Supports

47/100

●●●●● Involved

Monthly cap of € 80 on all prescription drug costs for individuals and families. Covers entire family unit. Not available to medical card holders who already get free drugs.

2026 Rate: € 80/month maximum drug costs

Cap € 80/month per family unit since March 2022 (down from € 100).

GP Visit Card

HSE • Health & Medical Supports

47/100

●●●●● Automatic

Free GP visits only (not full medical card). Automatic for all aged 70+. Means-tested with higher income thresholds than medical card for under 70. Children under 8 automatic.

2026 Rate: Free GP visits only

Automatic for all aged 70+ regardless of income.

PRSI Treatment Benefit

DSP • Health & Medical Supports

47/100

●●●●● Involved

PRSI-based dental and optical benefit for employees and self-employed with sufficient contributions. Includes free dental exam and scaling, eye test, and contribution towards hearing aids.

2026 Rate: Free dental exam/scaling; free eye test; hearing aid contribution

Requires 260 paid PRSI contributions (Classes A/E/H/P/S).

Employment & Training Supports

Disability Awareness Support Scheme

DSP • Employment & Training Supports

51/100

●●●●● Moderate

Funding for employers to provide disability awareness training for staff working with a colleague with a disability. Up to € 20000/year in year 1. Private sector employers only.

2026 Rate: Up to € 20000/year to employer

Employer-facing scheme.

■ *Disability Awareness Support Scheme is a wage subsidy for employers hiring people with disabilities — apply through your employer, not directly.*

■ *This employment support is only applicable if you are currently in employment or actively seeking to enter/return to work. If employment is not your current situation, this grant may not apply.*

Back to Work Enterprise Allowance

DSP • Employment & Training Supports

81/100

●●●● Moderate

Allows people on certain DSP payments to keep a portion of their payment for up to 2 years when starting a business. Year 1: 100% of social welfare payment; Year 2: 75%.

2026 Rate: Year 1: 100% of qualifying payment; Year 2: 75% of qualifying payment

Must be on qualifying payment for at least 9-12 months (varies by payment type).

■ *Back to Work Enterprise Allowance is only available if you are starting or setting up your own business while leaving social welfare. If self-employment is not your intention, this payment does not apply.*

Work and Access Workplace Adaptation

DSP • Employment & Training Supports

56/100

●●●●● Complex

Grant for adapting workplace equipment or physical environment to enable a person with a disability to work or continue working. Maximum € 6350 per employee per workplace.

2026 Rate: Up to € 6350

Part of the new Work and Access Programme (updated from WEAG).

■ *This employment support is only applicable if you are currently in employment or actively seeking to enter/return to work. If employment is not your current situation, this grant may not apply.*

Wage Subsidy Scheme

DSP • Employment & Training Supports

56/100

●●●● Moderate

Financial support to private sector employers who employ people with disabilities where the disability significantly impacts job tasks or role. Rates changing April 2026.

2026 Rate: Subsidy to employer (rates changing April 2026)

Employer-facing scheme but directly benefits employees with disabilities.

■ *This employment support is only applicable if you are currently in employment or actively seeking to enter/return to work. If employment is not your current situation, this grant may not apply.*

Revenue Tax Reliefs

Health Expenses Tax Relief

Revenue • Revenue Tax Reliefs

43/100

●●●●● Involved

Income tax relief at standard rate (20%) on qualifying out-of-pocket medical and dental expenses not covered by health insurance or state schemes. Claimed through Revenue.

2026 Rate: 20% on qualifying medical expenses

Tax relief at 20% on qualifying health expenses.

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