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A PASSPORT consumer tells her own story:

I am a 65 year old lady named Judy. I have Bulbar Post Polio Syndrome. I have a tracheotomy and use a ventilator. I also have a feeding tube and an indwelling Foley catheter. With the assistance of the PASSPORT Program, which I treasure highly, I am able to live at home. I have been with PASSPORT for the past 5 years.



I receive personal care aides 2-4 hours a day every morning to help me with my daily care and my homemaking tasks. I have another aide that helps me for 1 hour every evening with my bedtime needs. I also have an emergency response system to use in a medical emergency. If it wasn't for PASSPORT helping me obtain many medical supplies that I need, I would surely be in a nursing home, which would greatly decrease my independence.

The cost of Judy's care is \$21,170 annually. In comparison, the cost of a skilled nursing facility is \$57,600 a year. This is an annual savings of \$36,430.

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