

Area Agencies on Aging

In Action

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Several years ago, this PASSPORT consumer fell from a ladder. His resulting spinal cord injuries have left him a quadriplegic.



Through PASSPORT, the consumer receives Personal Care Service seven days a week to help his wife turn, bathe, dress, and feed him. His adult children assist with turning the consumer throughout the night. PASSPORT pays for needed medical supplies that are not covered by Medicare and Medicaid. His PASSPORT Case Manager ensures that PASSPORT provides only those items that are needed but not covered by other payment sources.

The consumer's wife and family are very dedicated to him; however, without the ongoing assistance that PASSPORT provides to supplement the care they give, the consumer's only alternative would be moving to a skilled nursing facility.

This case is an example of how families working together with PASSPORT are able to provide the support needed to allow a consumer a choice in where to receive care.

The consumer's annual service plan cost is \$21,634. In comparison, the cost of a skilled nursing facility is \$57,600 a year. This is an annual savings of \$35,966.

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