Getting Started with the Saskatoon and Region Vacancy Website

The goal of the website is to make it easier for a client to find a vacancy in a care home in Saskatoon or surrounding area. Definitions and other resources are also provided to help supporters who may not be familiar with the process of moving their loved ones from a home or hospital environment to a private or personal care home environment.

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- 1. HOME the home page that will help you quickly do a search for a room with the most frequently asked concerns for starting out
- 2. FIND A CARE HOME See a map of carehomes and which ones have vacancies. You can then use the filters to help find it quicker, just like searching an MLS site for a house for sale. What price are you thinking of? Did you want a private bathroom? Does your loved one use a wheelchair? Do you need up-night staff?
- 3. RESOURCES See a list of agencies, programs, financial benefits, medical resources/equipment, and other things that you may need depending on the health issues or financial pressures you are facing with this transition. There are many community supports that can help.
- 4. DEFINITIONS The terminology can be confusing as you are searching for help. Many people use a lot of the terms interchangeably without knowing so this page will help clarify what it all means.
- 5. CONTACT A way to get help if you are having trouble with getting around or want to tell us about any good experiences with making this transition easier.

The most common thing you will want to do is **find a care home**. Here's 2 quick ways to accomplish that.

1. On the home page, ask yourself if any of the 4 options apply to your situation

Find A Care Home

Step 1: Most Common Room Options

Step 2: Click Search

Wheelchair Accessible Have Private Bathroom

Have Vacancy

Have up-night staff

Click any of the 4 boxes and Click on SEARCH. I would suggest clicking on Have Vacancy, so you can just look at the care homes who are not already full. A map will appear and you will see the same room options on the left.

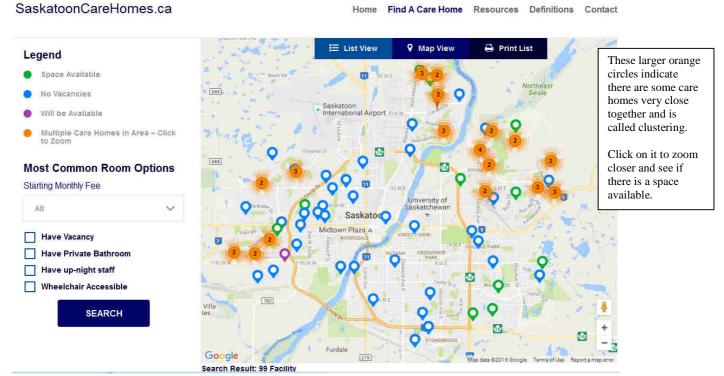
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2. Click on the link at the top of the page called FIND A CARE HOME. This will show you a map of all the care homes in Saskatoon and Room options will be on the left. Zoom out if you would like to see the surrounding area. (Click the '-' or '+' button on the map, scroll with your mouse, or use your fingers on your tablet or smart phone)

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Here's what the website may show you.



Some notes to help you:

- The search results at the bottom (99 Facility) is showing you how many care homes are now showing
- You can change any of the room options on the left and click on SEARCH to get a shorter list
- You can click on any of the map pins and see very detailed information about a carehome and some details about their vacancy
- When you think you have a short enough list you can click LIST VIEW to see it in a list instead of on a map
- You can also click on PRINT LIST if you want to take something away with you to start calling or visiting the care homes that are of interest or that you want to find out more about

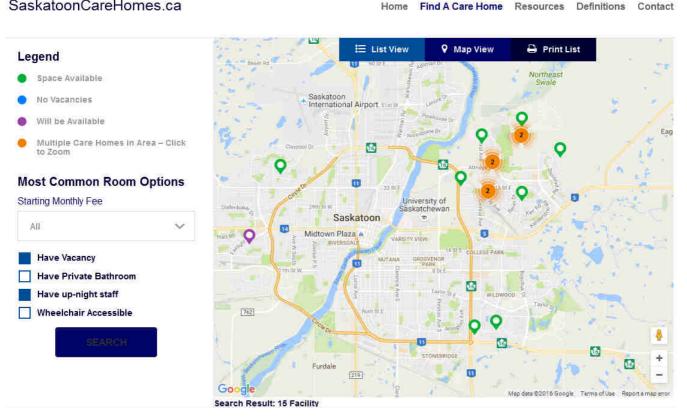
An example:

My mother's health has been declining but she is a tough old prairie girl. She has recently been hospitalized for pneumonia and is ready to come back home. Unfortunately, the assessment has identified that she's going to need a bit more support than my family can handle and she can't do it on her own in her current apartment. The recommendation was to find her a personal care home because she has not yet reached the needs of a fully serviced long-term care facility. She's only Level 1 at the moment. She has a bit of trouble walking and can manage stairs, just slowly. And she has trouble sleeping.

Here's how I'd search for a vacancy.

- Click on Have vacancy and Need up-night staff
- Click SEARCH

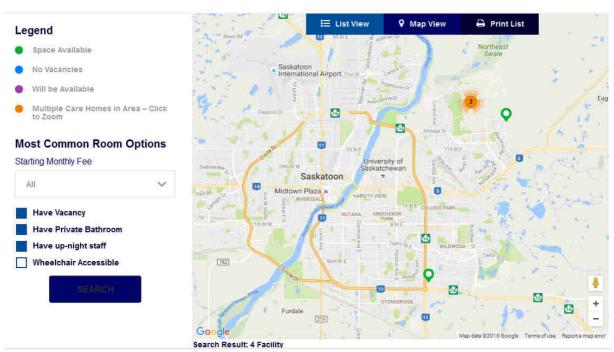
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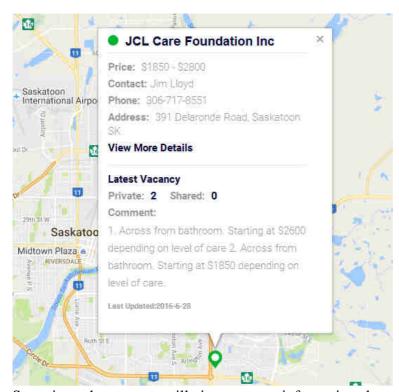
- I now have a list of 15 places that have up-night staff and a vacancy.
- I can now ask if it would be nice to have a private bathroom and see how many options are out there.

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- I'm down to 4 locations
- I can click on the map pins to see more information about each carehome

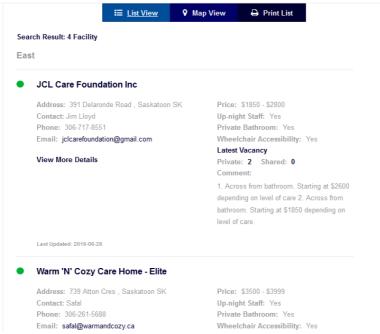


- Sometimes the operator will give me more information about what's available
- Some will have a website you can go look at
- I can also see the last time the Care home Operator told the website they had the vacancy. (Last Updated) If it's not too recent, I may want to call first and find out if there are still rooms available

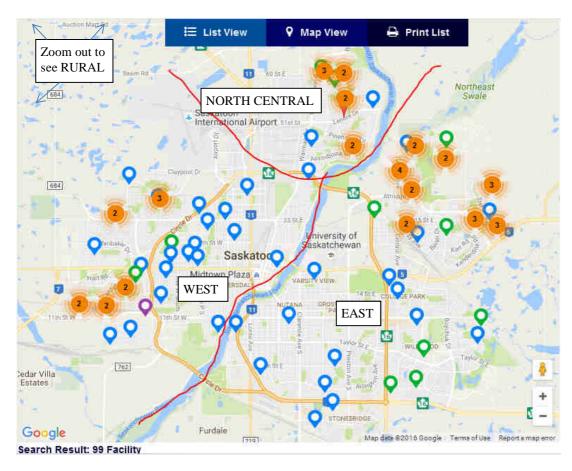
• If I click on VIEW MORE DETAILS, I can find out more about the services the care home offers (this kind of information may also be found on their website)

Carehome Information License Information **Facility Name** Name On License JCL Care Foundation Inc Jim Lloyd Address **Licensed Operator** 391 Delaronde Road Jim Lloyd Saskatoon, SK Licensee Phone S7J 3Y5 306-373-2928 **Facility Phone** 306-373-2928 **Main Contact** Jim Lloyd **Health Region** Main Contact Phone Saskatoon 306-717-8551 Area Main Contact Email East jclcarefoundation@gmail.com **License Conditions** Carehome Details Cannot admit or care for residents who are at risk of wandering. **Accomodate Specialized Care** Residents living in the Lower Level of the home must be able to climb and descend stairs independently. Age Preference Inspection Link No Preference http://personalcarehomes.saskatchewan.ca/Facility/Details/e35c8a2b-714d-4e30-b826-ee19d55e98e4 **Approx Starting Rate** \$1850 - \$2800 **Care Preference** No Preference **Exit Alarm Gender Preference** No Preference Languages Spoken English.French,German Elevator/Ramp/Lift/Grade Level access **Respite Care Smoking Allowed Specialized Equipment** Tub Lift, Sit/stand lift Type of Transportation available Arranged, Provided (for fee) **Up Night Staff** Yes

- I can decide at this point if I want to find less or more care homes by changing the Room options
- When I'm ready, I can click on LIST VIEW

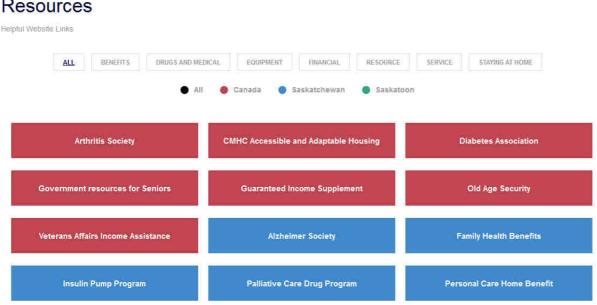


- This is what the LIST VIEW will look like and will be the same if I click PRINT LIST. I can take this with me and make notes on it.
- Note that the LIST is broken down by AREA of the city. (East is showing in gray above) This will help you focus on a group of carehomes when you are travelling in areas of the city visiting. If you are using your smart phone, and share your location, you may see a "You are Here" marker.



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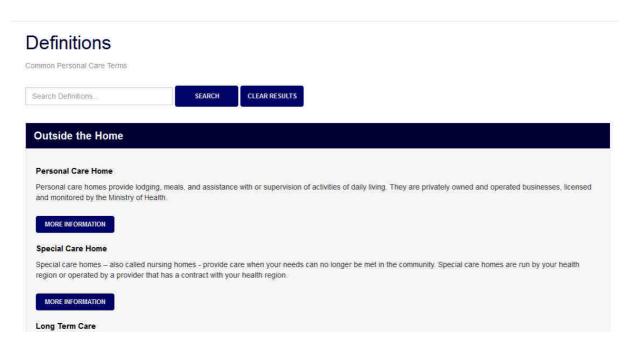
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The Boxes and Dots above can be clicked to help sort through a list of resources that are available in the community and how far they reach, represented by the color. Click on any of the labels to be taken to a website page that explains what the resource is and how to learn more about what qualifications may be needed to access it. For example, clicking on FINANCIAL shows that there are several ways to get help from Canada, Saskatchewan, or more specifically in Saskatoon. Click on any of the colored areas to get more information.

Resources



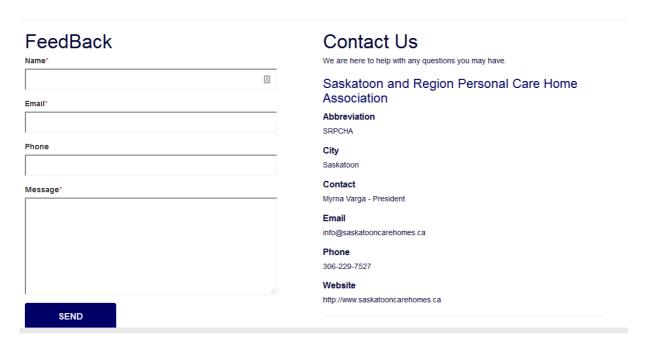


There are many terms in the area of caring for our Seniors and other Adults who need assistance. Depending on who you are talking to, it can be confusing when they are referring to a certain type of facility. There are many ways a facility can be configured to meet the needs of seniors and some of them may require certification or regulation where others may not. This is the main difference in why you may want to understand or ask more questions about the care home you are investigating.

The definitions are categorized according to how your loved could be taken care of:

- Outside the Home typically regulated and requires certifications
- Retirement Home typically not regulated
- Service (inside own home or outside)
- Staying at Home typically not regulated

Click on MORE INFORMATION to go to a website that explains the definition in greater detail.



If you have any questions or need more help you can use the Feedback form on the Contact page.

There is also a contact provided from the Association if you are an operator of a care home and would like to know more about how to get involved with the website.