



Backgrounder: Saskatchewan Surgical Initiative Funding 2012-13

The Government of Saskatchewan is investing \$60.5 million in the Saskatchewan Surgical Initiative in 2012-13, to support the health system in improving surgical access, quality and safety. By 2014, the goal is to provide all surgical patients with the opportunity to have surgery within three months.

In 2012-13, additional surgical volumes will be provided as follows:

Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region: 1,600 more surgeries

Saskatoon Health Region: 1,566 more surgeries

Other health regions combined: 1,214 more surgeries.

Funding Allocation	(millions)
Hospital Costs (salaries, supplies, support services)	\$33.7
Other Hospital Costs (eg. electronic bed management tool to help reduce system bottlenecks)	\$3.63
Physician Services - payments to surgeons/anaesthesiologists	\$9.08
Home Care Programs (services delivered by nurses and home care aides, equipment)	\$2.87
Post-operative Rehabilitative Services (physical and occupational therapy, supplies, equipment)	\$3.82
Lab Services	\$0.45
Quality Improvement, Safety and Engagement (eg. patient-centred care, Lean, safety, partner engagement, initiatives to promote clinical pathways and appropriate, standardized care)	\$3.47
Improved Assessment of Surgical Patients (additional multi-disciplinary clinics, development of new care "pathways" that streamline services)	\$1.17
Staff Training (eg. operating room nurses)	\$2.0
Other Equipment and Renovations (renovations to operating room and patient recovery wards; surgical equipment)	\$5.0
Surgical Information System expansion (electronic system to streamline surgical care in more hospitals)	\$0.70
Offset by: other Ministry of Health and RHA funding	- \$5.39
TOTAL	\$60.5

For more information about how Saskatchewan is providing
sooner, safer, smarter surgical care, visit:

www.health.gov.sk.ca/surgical-initiative

**Backgrounder (cont'd):
2012-13 Surgical Initiative Funding by RHA**

Health Region	SkSI Funding
Cypress Health Region	\$839,000
Five Hills Health Region	\$156,200
Heartland Health Region	\$552,900
Kelsey Trail Health Region	\$724,400
Prairie North Health Region	\$2,718,100
Prince Albert Parkland Health Region	\$2,660,100
Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region	\$10,715,500
Saskatoon Health Region	\$23,032,100
Sun Country Health Region	\$287,300
Sunrise Health Region	\$117,500
Athabasca Health Authority*	\$53,800
Keewatin Yatthé Health Region*	\$82,300
Mamawetan Churchill Health Region*	\$130,800
eHealth Saskatchewan	\$3,000,000
Ministry of Health	\$15,400,000
TOTAL	\$60,500,000

SkSI funding is in addition to funding for surgical services that is provided to health regions in their base budgets. It will be used to support increased surgical volumes, cover hospital costs (salaries and supplies), purchase necessary equipment, and support program enhancements.

Funding amounts are based on factors including actual and projected surgical volumes, equipment needs and other program costs.

* Keewatin Yatthé, Mamawetan Churchill and Athabasca health facilities do not provide surgeries. Funding will be used to enhance home care and post-operative rehabilitation services for patients who receive surgery in other health regions.