



TAS: CONCESSIONS AND SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR MITOCHONDRIAL DISEASE (MITO) PATIENTS

[Council Rates Concessions](#)

Councils may offer discounted rates for Pension Concession Card holders who own their home. Contact your local council for further details.

[Annual Electricity Concession](#)

Pensioner Concession Card and/or Health Care Card holders may be eligible for electricity rebates through their electricity providers. [Find out more.](#)

[Heating Allowance](#)

Pensioner Concession Card holders may be eligible to receive a yearly allowance to assist with heating costs. A rebate is paid in May and September. [Find out more.](#)

[Medical Cooling or Heating Concession](#)

Mito patients who have issues with regulating their body temperature and hold a Pensioner Concession Card may be eligible for the Medical Cooling or Heating Concession in addition to the rebates listed above. [Find out more.](#)

[Water and sewerage](#)

Pensioner Concession Card and Health Care Card holders may be eligible for rebates on their water bill through TasWater. [Find out more.](#)

[Transport Access Scheme](#)

Mito patients whose mobility is affected may be eligible to apply for the Transport Access Scheme which includes the Disability Parking Permit and the Taxi Subsidy Scheme. The Disability Parking Permit entitles members to park in parking zones designated for people with disabilities and in timed car parks for an extended time. Eligible Transport Access Scheme Members receive a subsidy on their taxi fares. For further information and to download an application form [click here.](#)

[Vision Impaired Travel Pass](#)

Pension Concession Card holders may be eligible for the Vision Impaired Travel Pass, which allows members to travel free of charge or at a discounted rate with some public transport services. Download the application form [here.](#)

[Companion Cards](#)

The Companion Card allows a person's carer free entry into participating venues and events. They are available to carers of those with a lifelong need for a high level of care. [Find out more.](#)

Telephone Services: Priority/Special Assistance

Some telecommunication providers offer priority or special assistance to people who have a life-threatening medical condition and whose life may be at risk without access to a fully operational phone service. Mito patients who are at high risk of cardiovascular emergencies or patients who live alone, without support or in remote locations may be eligible.

Find out more from [Telstra](#) or ask your telecommunication provider.

Australia Post – MyPost Concession

Pensioner Concession Card holders are eligible for lower cost domestic stamps. [Find out more.](#)

Life Support Concession

People who use electrically operated life support equipment such as oxygen concentrators, dialysis machines and chronic positive pressure and airways regulators may be eligible for a daily discount on their electricity costs. [Find out more.](#)

It is important to let your energy provider know you are using life-support equipment so that they can let you know of any planned power outages.

Please contact the Mito Foundation if there are additional concessions or benefits that should be included on this list. Information about government payments can be [found here.](#)



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