



THE CANCER  
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THE BAHAMAS

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HEADQUARTERS: East Terrace, Centreville (2 Doors South of ZNS)

December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020

Dear Sir/Madame:

The Cancer Society was formed with a mandate to educate the public on the care and prevention of cancer and assist with providing care for Bahamians who had the misfortune of being diagnosed with cancer, needing a facility (Cancer Caring Centre (CCC)) in New Providence to stay during their treatment and recuperation. The program was primarily directed to Family Island residents without family or financial means to afford accommodations while in New Providence undergoing their treatments. We are able to continue to operate the CCC with the generous support of our donors and fund-raising activities held during each year.

The intention of the Cancer Society was never to have the patient undertake any cost while staying at the Cancer Caring Centre allowing them and their caretaker to focus on their rehabilitation and recuperation. We have been able to live up to that mandate for the last fifteen (15) years, from inception to date. Unfortunately, due to the increased operating costs over the years, coupled within the last year of decrease in donations and inability to host fund raising events, we find ourselves at an operating loss and hard pressed to continue without the imposition of a fee to our patients. The proposed fee is in no way intended to replace our donors or fund-raising events, which we hope to, continue when we are able. The fee will help to subsidize the decrease in revenue we have seen as a trend over the most recent years and allow us to continue to keep the CCC open in supporting the needs of the patients that truly need this facility.

We have attached the proposed fee schedule for your information and advise that the implementation of fees will be effective as of **1<sup>st</sup> January 2021**. We have thought long and hard prior to concluding on this change and trust that we have your understanding and support of the same. This letter is intended to provide timely notice to your Branch in planning and referral of patients to the CCC in the upcoming year.

Please feel free to communicate this information to any and all upcoming patients for the CCC. If there are questions or clarity needed on any of the above, please feel free to communicate directly with us.

We look forward to continuing to provide this most much needed service to the community!

Sincerely,

Dr. Williamson G. Chea  
**President**

Susan K. Roberts  
**Founder**

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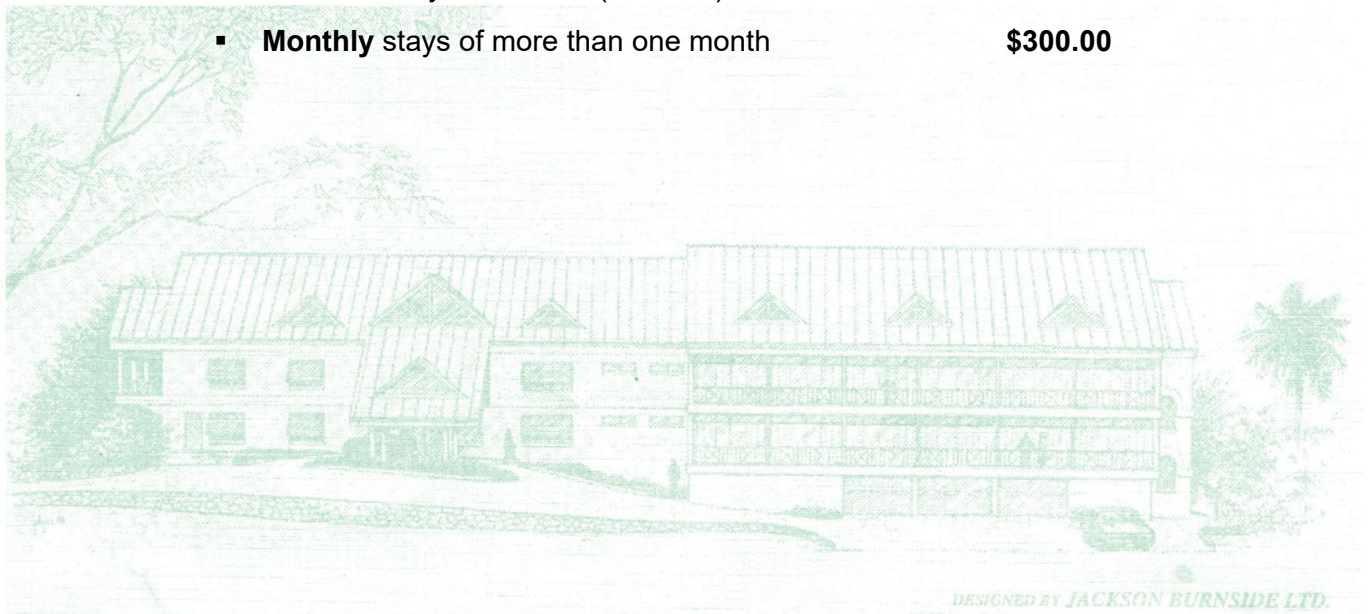
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## Fee Schedule

(Effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021)

The following rates are applicable for stay at the Cancer Caring Centre:

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| ▪ Daily rate (where stay is less than a week 7 days) | <b>\$20.00</b>  |
| ▪ Minimum stay of one week (7 days)                  | <b>\$100.00</b> |
| ▪ Minimum stay two weeks (14 days)                   | <b>\$150.00</b> |
| ▪ Minimum stay one month (4 weeks)                   | <b>\$275.00</b> |
| ▪ <b>Monthly</b> stays of more than one month        | <b>\$300.00</b> |



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The Cancer Society of the Bahamas is a registered, non-profit, voluntary organization whose aims are: to educate the public about cancer so that it may be prevented, diagnosed and treated in its early stages; to be of service to cancer patients and their families; and to raise funds to support these programmes.