ERBS PALSY ASSOCIATION OF IRELAND

Basic information on where to apply for certain allowances that may be claimed in some Erbs Palsy cases.

It is important to be aware that some allowances will only be granted following individual assessment of the claimant.

Tax allowance for Incapacitated Child.

To claim this simply write to your local Tax office outlining the allowance claimed, the nature of the incapacity and the name(s) of the child(ren). If the Tax office requests a medical certificate you should supply it.

Further information is available on form IT 18 which can be obtained from your local Tax office or on the Internet at www.revenue.ie PAYE taxpayers may also telephone the locall 1890 number for your part of the country to make your claim.

Domiciliary Care Allowance.

This is a monthly allowance paid by your Health Board in respect of children who are so severely physically or mentally handicapped that they require care and attention that is considerably in excess of that normally required by a child of the same age. The allowance is applicable to children from birth up to 16 years of age. The decision to grant the allowance will be made by the administrative staff of the Health Board following examination of the child by a doctor nominated by the Health Board.

For more information contact your local Health Board. Please see Carer's Allowance below which may also be claimed in some cases.

Carer's Allowance.

The Carer's Allowance is a payment for carers on low incomes who live with and look after certain people who need fulltime care and attention. Carers who are providing care to more than one person may be entitled to up to 50% extra of the maximum rate of Carer's Allowance each week, depending on the weekly means assessed.

Tel. (043) 45211, ext. 8794/8795 or email to info@welfare.ie Information is available at www.welfare.ie

Form E111.

This form covers medical expenses for injuries or sickness contracted while abroad on holiday etc... You simply apply to the local Community Care Office of your Health Board before you travel.

Form E112.

This form covers the cost of medical treatment outside the State. Your local Health Board provides it. Some Health Boards may require convincing that the treatment cannot be carried out in the State and consequently they may require confirmation of this from your consultant.