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## Information on cash allowances paid to cover extra costs for gluten-free foods

The information below is intended for the legal guardians of children who have been granted a cash allowance to cover the additional costs associated with purchasing gluten-free food items.

Once your healthcare provider has authorised a cash allowance for gluten-free food, as your child's legal guardians, this allowance will be paid to you one year at a time. Payment will be made via Swedbank. If you have an account with a different bank, you will need to register your account with Swedbank. You can do this online at <a href="www.swedbank.se/kontoregister">www.swedbank.se/kontoregister</a> or at a branch office. Please note! You don't need to open a Swedbank account, but simply to register your account with Swedbank if you have an account with another bank. If you don't register an account, the money will be sent to you in the form of a money order (utbetalningskort) instead. In that case, you may need to pay a fee when withdrawing your payment. Payments will be issued through Region Västra Götaland's patient transports unit (Enheten för sjukresor). Therefore, please note that the transaction may be registered as "sjukresor" (patient transports) on your bank statement.

In cases where two legal guardians are registered as living at the same address, payments will be made to the elder guardian. If two legal guardians are registered as living at separate addresses, payments will be made to the guardian living at the same address as the child.

The size of the allowance depends on the child's age when the allowance is authorised. It is intended to cover the additional costs associated with buying gluten-free food items compared with ordinary foodstuffs when shopping in stores. Payments will be made for a one-year period at a time, and you will need to reapply for the allowance annually by contacting the healthcare provider who issued the authorisation.

Authoriser:	
Unit:	
Contact:	

For questions about payments, please e-mail: <a href="mailto:lmn.regionservice@vgregion.se">lmn.regionservice@vgregion.se</a>

