**Allocation Rules of the Umhyggja Support Fund**

The purpose of the Umhyggja Support Fund is to assist families of chronically ill children through financial grants when financial hardship can be demonstrably linked to the child’s illness.

It is also permissible to provide funeral grants in the event of the death of a chronically ill child.

Families who do not have access to other support funds operated by parents’ associations for chronically ill children shall be given priority when allocating grants from this fund.

Families may generally apply for a grant **twice before the child reaches the age of 18**. A minimum of **12 months** must elapse between allocations. The processing time is a maximum of six weeks after all required documentation has been received. A **medical certificate**, no more than one year old, must accompany the application. The certificate must describe how the child’s illness or disability affects the daily life of the child and the family. The Support Fund may request **additional documentation** to clarify changes in financial circumstances. If a family has more than one chronically ill child, only **one grant may be awarded per family within any 12-month period**. Please note that reduced income due to parental leave does **not** meet the criteria for a grant from the Support Fund.

Grants from the Umhyggja Support Fund are intended for families who are members of Umhyggja or its affiliated associations. Each application is evaluated on an individual basis, taking into account the submitted medical certificate and other relevant documentation.

It is also permissible to award grants from the fund to projects led by professionals that are carried out for the benefit of chronically ill children and their families.

Grant Amounts for 2025

* General grant: ISK 1,000,000
* Funeral grant: ISK 700,000

**Board of the Umhyggja Support Fund**