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Date: 13 April 2022

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Dear Colleague

RE: FEE RATES PAYABLE FOR THE PROVISION OF RESIDENTIAL CARE WITH OR WITHOUT NURSING IN 2022–2023

This letter is sent to advise you of BCP Council's offer in relation to the fee rates for residential and nursing care homes placements for this coming financial year 2022/23.

The proposed rates have been set following recent consultation and engagement with provider representative organisations and are shown in the table below. You will see that for this year, the Council has introduced bandings to reflect the level of need, including those relating to complex care, to make the fees more equitable and fairer across our care providers.

The professional assessment will identify and determine which fee banding the placement will fall into, and these fee bandings will be effective from Monday 11 April 2022 **for new placements only**.

Category	Price Range	Description
Residential	£607 - £878 per week plus FNC for Nursing	Meets primary physical needs which may include dementias or mental health needs with lower impacts where mental health or dementia is not the primary need
Enhanced Residential	£677 - £930 per week plus FNC for Nursing	Enhanced Residential Care – Meets primary dementias or cognition conditions and/or complex physical need e.g., bariatric care. This may also include people with mental conditions where mental health is not the primary need
CHC Placements Only		
Nursing (100% Health funding only)	£800 - £1000 per week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FNC will be applied to Residential or Enhanced Residential placements where nursing has been agreed but is not the primary need
Enhanced Nursing (100% Health funding only)	£1001 - £1400 per week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where the primary need is Health and has been found to be Continuing Healthcare eligible then the placement will be funded by health under these bandings.

Existing Placements

For existing placements funded at the current published rates, fees will be uplifted by **5.5%** from 11 April 2022 as follows:

	2021/22	2022/23
Residential	£575	£607*
Dementia	£642	£677*

*See fee range table on next page for new fee range

BCP Council will not increase the cost of any existing placements above the published rates for 2021/22. The fee payable for such placements are negotiated by the Council at the time of placement, taking into consideration the individual's level of need.

All amendments to fee levels must be approved by the service user's care manager prior to commencement, and that third-party top-ups should not be retrospectively introduced, or increased without the involvement of the care manager. To do so will be considered a serious breach of contract, and the Council will not accept liability for any third-party contribution that has not been approved by the Council.

The introduction of this model will be the precursor to a Cost of Care exercise that is underpinned by the market sustainability and fair cost of care fund 22/23 which is in line with the latest Government guidance.

It is important for our providers to understand that the Council will only be working with those care homes who accept the fee bandings outlined in this letter in future. Therefore, if you are in agreement to the Fee Bandings set out in this letter and wish to continue working with BCP Council, please sign below and return a copy of this Letter to the Contracts Team at the e-mail address quoted above.

Should you have any queries regarding the letter`s content, please do not hesitate to contact the Contracts section at the address shown above.

Yours sincerely



Phil Hornsby
Director – Commissioning for People

Signature of the Parties

I accept and agree to apply the Care Home Fee Bandings for 2022-2023 as set out in this Letter with effect from Monday 11 April 2022:

Signed.....
on behalf of

Provider Name:

Position:

Date:

Signed.....
on behalf of BCP Council

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Date: