## Regeneration and Housing



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**Dear Patient** 

## Re: Medical issues affecting your application for housing

You have asked your GP to write a letter in support of your application to Ealing Council for housing assistance.

It is not necessary for you do ask for this, and the Council recommends that GPs do not provide such letters unless specifically asked for them by Council staff. This is because we have processes in place that should make it unnecessary in almost every case for your GP to provide extra information.

If you have made an application to the Council as a homeless person, your case officer can provide you with a paper form to complete.

If you have made an online application to join Ealing Council's housing register, you can log in to your Locata application and complete an online medical assessment form.

The medical forms that we provide are designed to collect all the information we will need to carry out an assessment. As long as you have completed the form correctly, we will not need any extra information and, if we do need additional information, we will write to your GP or consultant directly and ask for it.

The only medical document that we welcome, if you have one, is an Occupational Therapist's report. If you do not have one however, please do not ask someone to provide one, unless we contact you to say that this is necessary.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact your case officer, if you have made a homelessness application, or the Locatahelp team on 0208 825 7274 or at <a href="Locatahelp@ealing.gov.uk">Locatahelp@ealing.gov.uk</a> if you have made an application to join the housing register or are already on the housing register.

Yours sincerely,

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