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- Home care Care homes

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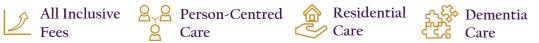
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## Welcome

Welcome to the Wiltshire Adult Care and Support Guide 2024/25. This Guide provides:

- Details of a range of services to enable you, and anyone you know or care for, to make informed decisions about your care and support.
- Clear, easy to use information that will help you to think about your options and make the right choices.

We want to make this Guide simple, clear and easy to understand to enable you to make informed decisions.

Residents in Wiltshire have told us they want to be able to live safely and independently in their own homes for as long as they can and to enjoy the best possible quality of life. This Guide provides details of a range of services to enable you, and anyone you know or care for, to live well.

Whether you are paying for services yourself, or receiving support from the council, we know that making decisions about social care can be daunting.

In addition to the Wiltshire Adult Care and Support Guide, you can find information about care and support in Wiltshire at:

https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk/ This website holds information about adult social care in Wiltshire and

services in the community to support your health and wellbeing. If you require any further information on a particular service, our dedicated Advice and Contact Team is here to support you, whether you are a customer, carer or someone who is looking for more information about adult care services in Wiltshire. The Advice and Contact Team can be contacted on: **0300 456 0111**.

We hope you find this Guide helpful. Our staff are here to support you and your loved ones where required.



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Care, SEND, Transition and
Inclusion



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# Helping you to stay independent

#### Services developed in partnership with the voluntary sector

Wiltshire Council works with voluntary and community organisations to supply preventative care services. These are a vital form of support and help to maintain independence and social inclusion, and delay or avoid the need for more statutory interventions.

Examples include:

- Day opportunities.
- Befriending, visiting and telephone contact services.
- Support schemes to help people being discharged from hospital (Home from Hospital).
- Support for carers.

• Handyperson schemes.

#### **Age UK Wiltshire**

Tel: 0808 196 2424

Web: www.ageuk.org.uk/wiltshire

#### **Carers Together Wiltshire**

Tel: **01380 710300** 

Email: enquiries@carerstogetherwiltshire.org.uk

Web: www.ageuk.org.uk/wiltshire/our-services/carers-together-wiltshire

#### Wiltshire Council's Advice and Contact Team

Tel: **0300 456 0111** 

Email: adviceandcontact@wiltshire.gov.uk

Web: https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk

#### **Telecare**

Telecare is equipment that can detect falls, inactivity, smoke, flooding, gas or extreme temperatures in the home. When the sensors in the equipment are activated or an individual triggers their pendant, it will connect to a response centre where trained operators will contact the individual through their home unit. Operators will take the most appropriate action, such as contacting a nominated responder, family member, carer, neighbour, doctor or the emergency services.

Telecare can allow you to regain confidence in your home and remain independent. Relatives and carers are also reassured, safe in the knowledge that should an incident occur, someone will be on hand to help. Some devices can also help to

monitor particular health conditions and reduce the need for hospital admission. You can buy Telecare and technology enabled care from private companies and organisations, or the council may be able to provide you with the means to apply for Telecare services yourself.

For more information, call Wiltshire Council's Advice and Contact Team on: **0300 456 0111**.



# Search for care in your area

With so many providers to choose from, where do you start?

- Find care providers quickly and easily
- Search by location and care need
- · Information on care quality
- Links to inspection reports
- · Additional information, photos and web links
- Brochure requests





Visit www.carechoices.co.uk



It's a good idea to consider the following questions before buying any technology enabled care. If you are unsure about what technology might help meet your needs, you can contact your council or visit:

https://livingmadeeasy.org.uk

Suitability	Will it need to be installed by a professional?
Does the equipment support your specific needs?	Can the retailer provide you with training in using the equipment?
Are you willing to use it?  Will it fit into your everyday life and routine?  Have you tried a demo of the equipment?  Do you understand what the equipment is for?  Do you need to take it with you when you leave the house? Is it transportable?  Does the equipment have any limitations that would make it unsuitable for you?  Will it work alongside any technology enabled care you already have?	Reliability  Will it work if you have pets or live with other people (e.g. could someone else set off a sensor alarm by accident)?  Have you read reviews of the equipment you are looking at? Consider these before making your purchase.  Can you speak to someone who already uses it?  Does it require batteries? Find out how often they will need changing and whether the equipment will remind you to do this.
<b>Usability</b> s a simpler piece of equipment available	Is it durable? If you drop it, is it likely to break?
ge.g. a pill case rather than an automated pill dispenser)?  Does the equipment need a plug socket and will any wires cause a trip hazard?	Cost  Do you know how much it costs?  Will you need to pay a monthly charge?
s it easy to use? Can you read/hear it clearly and are any buttons big enough for you?	Are there alternative solutions that might be free?
Are you able to use it? Are there any aspects you don't understand?	Is there a cost associated with servicing the equipment?
Notes	

#### Adapting your home

To remain living in your own home for as long as you would like to, you should ensure it is safe, secure and warm. Some forward planning to ensure the garden doesn't become a burden is also sensible. If you are not planning to move, think about adaptations that would make life easier now and later on.

#### **Home Improvement Agencies (HIAs)**

HIAs are local organisations funded and supported by local and central Government. HIAs work professionally and sensitively with older and disabled homeowners, providing advice, support and assistance to help them repair, improve, maintain or adapt their homes to meet their changing needs.

Most HIAs provide three main services, including: information and advice on repairs or adaptations you may be considering – this usually entails a visit to your home and is often free; a handyperson service for small jobs and repairs – typically, the HIA will employ its own handypersons and charge you an hourly rate for their services; and a home

adaptations service for more major works.

The HIA will work with you to specify the adaptations needed and will normally offer to get estimates from one or more of its regular contractors. Subject to your acceptance, the HIA will then offer to manage the works contract on your behalf for an agreed fee.

HIAs may also be helpful if you are not sure whether you can afford the home repairs or adaptations you need. HIAs can advise on your eligibility for any grants and, if necessary, put you in touch with an independent financial adviser.

For further information about, and contact details for, local HIAs, visit: **www.housingcare.org** or contact the council using the following details.

#### Wiltshire Council's Advice and Contact Team

Tel: **0300 456 0111** 

Web: https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk

#### **Equipment to aid daily living**

Using equipment can help you to maintain your independence by supporting you to continue to do tasks that may have become harder to do. Equipment could support you with tasks such as:

- Washing and dressing.
- Preparing and eating food.
- Getting into and out of bed.

- Getting up out of a chair or up from the toilet.
- Getting in and out of the bath.

There are a couple of options for you to consider – accessing equipment through the Wiltshire Community Equipment Service or exploring the wide range and choice of equipment through self-care.

#### **Wiltshire Community Equipment Service**

This service provides a range of equipment to help you live independently, whether it's equipment for your home, or things to help you while out and about. The service is provided by Medequip (www.medequip-uk.com/contact/calne) on behalf of Wiltshire Council and the NHS and includes delivery, fitting, servicing, collection and recycling.

#### How to access equipment

To access equipment, you will need to be assessed by a health or social care professional.

You can ask your GP for a referral or contact Wiltshire Council directly. To find out if you are eligible and how to request an assessment, see page 44. Following an assessment, equipment is then prescribed and provided on loan to support independent living for as long as you need it and are living in Wiltshire.

#### **Returning community equipment**

All equipment loaned by the Community Equipment Service should have a Medequip label on it, showing the Medequip customer service phone number.

→ If your equipment is no longer required and ready to be returned, call: **01249 815052** or email: **calnecustomerservice@medequip-uk.com** 

You can also return equipment directly to Medequip at Beversbrook Industrial Estate, Redman Road, Calne SN11 9PL. Opening hours are 8.40am to 5.00pm, Monday to Friday.

#### Why?

All items returned will be assessed, safety tested and either repaired and reused within the community or stripped down for recycling.

#### Self-care

Self-care empowers you to stay independent, giving you the confidence to remain living in your own home and complete everyday tasks safely. With a wide range of equipment choice and Trusted Assessor advice, through local mobility retailers or online, you can find equipment that is

right for you and have control of what equipment you use. This can range from food preparation and mobility to dressing and bathing aids.

For online advice, you could use an online self-assessment tool giving you free impartial advice about all types of equipment, to make daily living easier. Visit AskSARA at: https://medequip-wiltshire.livingmadeeasy.org.uk

You could also consider shopping online at: **www.manageathome.co.uk**, Medequip's online retail store for daily living aids, delivered directly to your home. To order your free catalogue, visit:

www.manageathome.co.uk/catalogue-request

VAT relief is also available on many products, giving you financial help if you are disabled or have a chronic illness. To find out more, visit:

www.manageathome.co.uk/vat-relief

#### Intermediate care

Intermediate care gives recovery and rehabilitation support to help people regain their independence when they come out of hospital or, just as importantly, to prevent them from going unnecessarily into hospital.

Intermediate care includes a range of services that can be provided in your own home or in a care home (these are called Discharge to Assess Beds) depending on your specific needs. Intermediate care helps people to regain their independence and feel confident in their ability to manage for themselves with any necessary additional support.

Intermediate care is provided by the council and NHS and is free. It is usually limited to a maximum of six weeks. If, after this, you have ongoing care

or support needs, the council will conduct an assessment and may help you to arrange any services you might need. There may be a charge for these services.

Speak to your GP, hospital staff or Wiltshire Council if you think you might benefit from intermediate care. These people can put you in touch with the right services if it is felt that they will help you.





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#### **Community Equipment Loan Service**

We provide the Community Equipment Loan Service which is a council social care and NHS funded service that aims to support the residents of Wiltshire to live independently, in the comfort of their own homes.

#### What do we do?

Following an assessment by a health or social care professional we provide the prescribed equipment on loan. The service includes delivery, installation, servicing/repair, collection and recycling. Equipment is on loan to you for as long as you need it and are living in Wiltshire.

#### How can I access equipment?

To access equipment and request an assessment, you can ask your GP for a referral or directly contact your Council's Social Care Team by calling **0300 456 0111**.



## Return Recycle Reuse

Help your local NHS and social care services by returning equipment you no longer need

Contact Medeguip now to request a collection

Call 01249 815052

Email calnecustomerservice@medequip-uk.com

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#### Making life easier at home

If you're having difficulties with everyday tasks at home, these simple solutions could make life easier and enable you to retain your independence. These are a starting point; other solutions are available, which might better suit your needs.



Finding it difficult to **get in and out of chairs**? Try putting a piece of hard board under the seat base. Alternatively, buy chair raisers, a higher chair or an electric riser chair. Also try taking regular gentle exercise to improve your mobility.

If you can't **reach your windows**, could you move furniture out of the way? Ask someone to help if you need to move heavy furniture. There are also tools for opening and closing windows.

Struggling to **keep warm/cool**? Consider a fan or heater. Is your house insulated? Are there any draughts? You may also be eligible for the winter fuel payment from the Government. Visit:

#### www.gov.uk/winter-fuel-payment

If you have trouble **using light switches**, think about replacing your switches for ones that are easier to use. Consider handi-plugs or light switch toggles, or there's even technology available that turns your lights on and off using your speech.

Use subtitles if you **can't hear the TV** or buy wireless headphones. Do you need a hearing aid? Request an assessment from your council.



Do you **forget to take your tablets**? Make a note of when you've taken them or buy an automatic pill dispenser or pill box. If you struggle to open your medicine, ask your pharmacist for advice on alternative packaging that could make it easier for you.

Can you **reach everything in your cupboards**? If not, try a handi-reacher or rearrange your kitchen so the things you use most are within easy reach.

If you are having **problems with preparing food**, consider buying ready-chopped options or try a chopping board with spikes. There are also longhandled pans, teapot tippers and lid grippers that could help. Palm-held vegetable peelers or a food processor might be a solution and meal delivery services are also available.

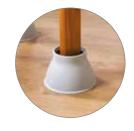
#### Is eating and drinking becoming difficult?

Large-handled cutlery could help, as could non-slip mats for the table. Lightweight cups and mugs with two handles could also be a solution.

Having tap turners fitted can make **using taps** easier. You could also consider changing to leverstyle taps, which might be easier for you to use.



Handled plug



Chair raisers



Chopping board



Level indicator



Teapot tipper

More information on staying independent and ideas to help you live at home can be found online at: www.carechoices.co.uk/staying-independent-at-home/ There is also information on making larger adaptations to your home.



If moving whilst in bed is a problem, have you thought about using an over-bed pole? You might also want to buy a pillow raiser or change your bedding so it's lighter.

Is it becoming **difficult to get dressed**? If so, specially adapted clothing is available, or you could buy a long-handled shoe horn, a dressing stick or a button hook. If you are having a lot of difficulty, consider home support – see page 14.

Clocks are available with large numbers or lights if you can't read the time in bed. You can also buy clocks that speak the time.

If you are finding it harder to read in bed, consider an e-reader that allows you to change the font size. Some also have integrated lights. Look for bedside lamps with a step-on or button switch if yours are difficult to use.

Do you struggle to get in and out of bed? You could learn new ways of moving around, purchase a leg lifter or a hoist or install grab rails for support. Seek advice about these options. If the bed is the issue, you could buy an electric adjustable bed or raise the bed to the right height.



If it's hard to hold your toothbrush, try a toothbrush gripper. You might also benefit from having an electric toothbrush or sitting on a stool while brushing your teeth.

You might like to buy a raised toilet seat or a seat with a built-in support frame if it's hard to use your toilet. Flush-lever extensions are also available.

Has it become more difficult to wash? Items are available, like long-handled sponges and flannel straps. You could also consider a slip-resistant bath mat, grab rails, a half step to help you get in and out of the bath, or a bath or shower seat. Tap turners can also be used in the bathroom.

For more information on technology that could make your life easier, contact your council for an assessment. They might refer you to an occupational therapist (OT) or you could contact an OT privately. Search online for OTs near you.

#### **Wiltshire Council**

Tel: **0300 456 0111** 

Web: https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk













Grab handles Bed table

Hand rail

Hand trolley

Tap turners

# Care in your own home

If you wish to retain freedom and independence by staying in your own home, carefully chosen home care with a good-quality provider will give you the help you need to stay happy and safe in your home. It gives you the opportunity to stay in your own familiar surroundings and to retain a quality of life you might have feared you had lost.

#### Why choose home care?

People's reasons for choosing home care can vary. After a stay in hospital, for instance, someone might find they need help whilst they recuperate. Others can find that a long-term condition or disability means they can no longer cope on their own and they need a bit of help.

After a stay in hospital, someone may carry out an assessment of your situation to see if home care will benefit you. You will be fully involved in looking at what options will suit you best, as will your family

if you'd like them to be. Alternatively, you or those close to you might notice changes in your ability to manage the day-to-day things you normally cope with easily, like preparing meals or looking after yourself. If this happens, contacting Wiltshire Council is a good first step towards finding help.

#### How home care can help you

The level of home care provided can be tailored to meet your needs – from a visit once a day to a much greater amount of support.

Even those with quite significant and debilitating medical conditions can get skilled personal care that can enable them to stay in their own homes.

Some agencies will provide live-in care, where a care worker will stay with you at home to support you throughout the day and night. See page 17 for more information about live-in care.

#### Wiltshire home care services for adults

Adults' home care services in Wiltshire under the Flexible Framework support you to continue to live independently in your own home. This is underpinned by the council's business plan to enable more people to remain living in their own homes for longer. Wiltshire home care services will help you to maintain your independence by supporting you to achieve your goals and objectives.

As part of the Flexible Framework, Wiltshire Council is working with customers and providers across the county to develop a range of care services that will support more people and aim to give you more flexibility in how your services are provided, offering you greater choice and control.

Further information is available at:

https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk or by calling the Advice and Contact Team on: 0300 456 0111.

The information relating to Wiltshire's home care programme is subject to change during the lifetime of this Guide. For the latest information, contact the council directly.

A countywide list of home care providers starts on page 21.



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#### **Live in care:** the advantages

- ✓ All the comforts of home, from your belongings to your beloved pets!
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- A handpicked carer who is selected to match your personality and interests
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- Jane Perry

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advice about the right care for your needs?
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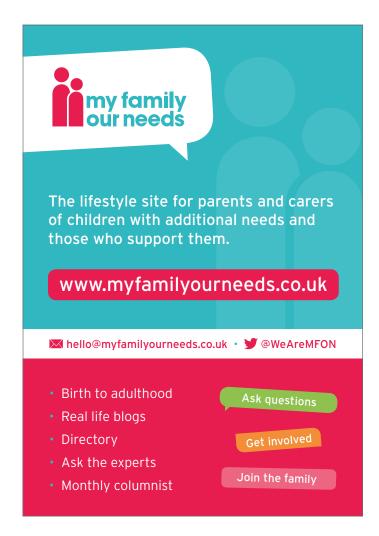
#### Live-in care

Live-in care is a viable alternative to residential care, where a fully trained care worker lives and works in your own home to support your individual needs and help you maintain your independence. The carer must be allowed breaks and have somewhere to sleep at night.

Support available from live-in carers can range from personal care and mobility assistance to more complex health requirements, as necessary.

The cost of live-in care varies depending on your circumstances, including the level, type and duration of care that you require.

Any organisation that employs live-in carers is required to register with the Care Quality Commission (CQC) and ensure that its employees follow the essential standards of quality and safety in their practices. For more information about the CQC, see page 51.







# Tell us what you think

- What have you found useful?
- What could we do better?

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Agency 2			£		
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About the agency		Accommodat	ing your needs		
How long has the agency been operating?		Can the agency accommodate your needs if they increase? Ask about the			
How long are staff allocated per visit?		process for this.			
Can you contact the agency in an emergency or outside office hours?		Does the agency have a training scheme in place?			
Does the agency have experience		Are all staff train	ed to a certain lev	el?	
with your specific needs?		Are staff able to administering me	help with edication if require	ed?	
Staff			staff to commun		
Are you likely to be visited by different staff each day?			about the support ey visit you? How?	-	
Are all staff checked with the Disclosure and Barring Service?		Regulation			
Will you be notified in advance if your care worker is on holiday or sick?		Will your support regular intervals?	plan be reviewed?	at	
Are staff matched to you specifically,		Can you see the a	gency's contract to	erms?	
based on your needs and preferences?		Can you lodge a	complaint easily?		
Can you meet your care worker(s)		Are complaints d	lealt with quickly?		
before they start?  Does the agency have both male and		Can you see a co CQC registration	py of the agency's	;	
female staff?		quality rating?	certificate and		
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#### Do you need help?

We can assist you with:

- Personal care Wellbeing visits Domestic duties
- Helping with getting up and getting ready for bed
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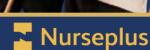


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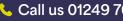


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# Living with dementia at home

If you are experiencing persistent forgetfulness or memory difficulties and it is causing you to feel concerned, it is important to consult a GP. They can undertake an initial examination and refer you to a memory clinic for further investigation if necessary.

The various types of support available to you and your carer are likely to involve NHS services, Wiltshire Council and voluntary agencies. Some examples of services and support to help people living with dementia include:

- Specialist day opportunities.
- Respite care or short breaks.
- Assistive technology and community alarms.
- Home care.
- Meals at home.
- Community equipment.
- Extra care/sheltered housing.
- Carers' support groups.

#### Family support

If you know someone who is worried about their memory, encourage them to visit their GP. The more support you can give someone, the better life with dementia can be, especially in the early years.

Focus on what the person can do, not what they cannot do, help with little errands or with cooking, listen to the person living with dementia and find out more about the condition. When someone is living with dementia, they need:

- Support to live their life.
- Reassurance that they are still valued and that their feelings matter.
- Freedom from as much external stress as possible.
- Appropriate activities and stimulation to help them to remain alert and motivated for as long as possible.

#### **Dementia Friends**

People living with dementia sometimes need a helping hand to go about their daily lives and feel included in their local community. Dementia Friends gives people an understanding of dementia and the small things they can do to make a difference to people living with dementia, from helping someone find the right bus to spreading the word about dementia.

Visit: **www.dementiafriends.org.uk** for further information about the initiative.

#### Respite care

Spouses, partners and relatives who care for a person living with dementia may require a break from their caring responsibilities. This is known as 'respite care' and may be a regular break of a few hours a week or a period of a few weeks. It may be planned or be required in an emergency and can

involve the person living with dementia attending a day centre or a care worker visiting the person's home to enable the carer to have a break. Contact the council to see if you are eligible for support with arranging these services. See page 44 for information on assessments.

#### Care at home

It can often be best for a person living with dementia to stay living in their own home for as long as possible. This may mean they require some support services at home. The person living with dementia will respond best to having the same care staff who know them well. Continuity of care can be provided by either care agencies or carers employed directly by the person or his or her family.

#### Specialist dementia day opportunities

A good day opportunities service will offer a range of activities and support that will enable the person living with dementia to retain skills and remain part of their local community.

Specialist day opportunities for people living with dementia should be organised and run with their needs in mind, aiming to build on their strengths and abilities. Activities may include outings, entertainment, personal care, meals, hairdressing and support for carers. Attendance at day services can be offered from just a few hours a week to several days.

Alzheimer's Support provides day opportunities to help people with complex dementia to continue to live in their own homes and remain as independent as possible for longer. For more information, visit: **www.alzheimerswiltshire.org.uk** (select 'Our services' then 'Day care').

#### **Shared Days**

Shared Days is part of the Shared Lives service but is for day care rather than live-in care. It is run by the council with people in your community working as carers. You would spend time with someone close by, either at their home or out in the community. The carers are given training by Wiltshire Council and will have the knowledge they need to take on a caring role in your life. From having a chat with a cup of tea for a few hours or taking you to the shop, the Shared Days carers are there to support you in your local area. For Shared Lives Wiltshire's contact information see page 36.

#### **Alzheimer's Support**

This Wiltshire-based charity works to improve the quality of life of people affected by dementia. If you have concerns about any form of dementia, please contact your local office for information and support and access to local services. See page 57 for contact details.

Alzheimer's Support has four offices across the county and is able to provide information, support, guidance and signposting to other appropriate organisations. You can view the Alzheimer's Support Dementia Road Map at:

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For more information on care homes for people living with dementia, see page 39.



# Support for unpaid carers

#### Who is an unpaid carer?

An unpaid carer looks after, helps or supports someone who can't manage everyday life without their help, from the ages of 5 years old onwards. An unpaid carer is not being paid or working for an agency. The unpaid carer doesn't have to be living with the person they care for, and the help the unpaid carer gives doesn't have to be physical. The unpaid carer may be caring for a partner, another family member or child, a friend or a neighbour. The unpaid carer may be helping with:

- Personal care, such as washing and dressing.
- Going to the toilet or handling incontinence.
- Eating or taking medicines.
- Getting about at home or outside.
- Practical help at home and keeping someone company.

• Emotional support or communicating.

This includes unpaid carers supporting people with a mental health diagnosis or are reliant on substances, such as alcohol.

#### Family support

You may find that there is more than one person caring for someone in a household, for instance if a young person needs support in everyday life due to their care needs, relatives could also be taking on an unpaid caring role. Parent carers and young carers are also entitled to assessments. The assessment tells the council what considerations would be helpful so they can continue their caring role. Specific support is available to parent carers and young carers. Assessments can be done as a family, so everyone in the home is supported.

#### Having an unpaid carers' assessment

Anyone who provides, or intends to provide, regular unpaid support to someone who could not manage without it has the right to have their own needs assessed, even if the person they care for has refused support services or their own assessment.

An unpaid carers' assessment is an opportunity for people to tell the council what they need as an unpaid carer and to find out what support might be available to them. The assessment is an essential first step for carers to get the support they may need. It looks at:

- The care the unpaid carer provides and how this affects their life.
- Any support they are getting now and what else would help.
- What they would like their support to achieve.

An unpaid carers' assessment can also give the

unpaid carer lots of information about other services that might help and other ideas for support. It will also show if they qualify for support from Wiltshire Council.

#### **Unpaid carers' Personal Budgets**

An unpaid carer's Personal Budget is a single payment that can be used towards the cost of something specific that will support the unpaid carer in their caring role. For example, it could be used for leisure activities, education or training, or just to take a short break from caring.

When Wiltshire Council considers an unpaid carer's Personal Budget, it gives priority to situations where there is a significant risk of the carer not being able to continue to provide care if they do not get some support.

The amount an unpaid carer could get depends on their needs identified by their unpaid carers' assessment. The money is not taxed and it will not affect any benefits.

#### Respite at home

Home-based respite services give unpaid carers a break from their caring responsibilities. A care worker can come in to look after the person being cared for, so the unpaid carer can have some time to themselves. The breaks could be regular or just when needed. Respite at home is considered to be a service for the person who is being cared for.

If the person being cared for has a Personal Budget for their own needs (see page 47), they could use that money to pay for it.

A financial assessment of the cared-for person will confirm if they need to pay anything towards the cost.

#### **Benefits**

There are several benefits that unpaid carers may be entitled to, and it is worth exploring all of these. One such benefit is Carer's Allowance. This is currently £81.90 per week but it may change over the lifetime of this Guide.

Unpaid carers may also qualify for Carer's Premium or Carer's Credit, depending on their eligibility. If the person you're caring for receives the severe disability premium (or severe disability addition in Pension Credit), this may be lost if you claim Carer's Allowance and/or Carer's Premium. Seek specialist independent advice before claiming.

Carer's Premium is an extra payment of up to £45.60 per week that can sometimes be added to the calculation of other benefits you might get on top of Carer's Allowance. Unpaid carers who do not qualify for Carer's Allowance may qualify for Carer's Credit.

The Government's website (**www.gov.uk**) has more information on benefits, including unpaid carers' benefits. Or, you could contact a local carers' organisation who may be able to help you undertake a benefit check. Alternatively, a benefits calculator is available to all unpaid carers in Wiltshire. Visit: **www.carerfriendlywiltshire.org.uk** 

#### **Unpaid carers ID cards**

Unpaid carers can now apply for a free carers ID card which offers a form of verified identification that is recognised nationally. It acknowledges the unpaid carer's caring role and provides access to various benefits, offers and services. As well

as providing In Case of Emergency (ICE) details, including a support contingency plan for if the unpaid carer was ever in an emergency. To apply for an unpaid carers card, visit: www.carerfriendlywiltshire.org.uk

#### Local unpaid carers' support

You can find out more about the organisations supporting unpaid carers in Wiltshire by exploring the following resources.

#### **Carers Together Wiltshire**

Supporting unpaid carers from five years old.

Tel: 01380 710300

Email: enquiries@carerstogetherwiltshire.org.uk

Web: www.ageuk.org.uk/wiltshire/our-services/carers-together-wiltshire

#### **Wiltshire Parent Carer Council**

Tel: **01225 764647 •** Email: admin@wiltspcc.co.uk Web: www.wiltshireparentcarercouncil.co.uk



# Specific care and support services

#### Mental health

If you are worried about your mental health, it's important to remember that you aren't alone. Lots of people have issues with their mental health and there's help and advice available across Wiltshire to support you.

Your GP should be your first point of contact if you want confidential advice or services, or for information on care and support options, contact Wiltshire Council's Advice and Contact Team on: **0300 456 0111**.

The Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust (AWP) offers a Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) which is a free, confidential and impartial service available to everyone who uses AWP services, their families, carers or anyone who needs advice, information, support or guidance with a particular issue. PALS can help if you:

- Are worried and not sure what to do or where to go.
- Need clarity about a situation.
- Want someone to listen to your experience of services.
- Need information and help.

Tel: **01225 362900** 

Freephone: **0800 073 1778** Email: **awp.pals@nhs.net** 

Web: www.awp.nhs.uk/contact-us/patient-

advice-and-liaison-service-pals

For a list of local mental health and wellbeing contacts, visit: **www.healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk** (search 'Where to get mental health support in Wiltshire').

#### Support in a crisis

If you are under AWP care and are experiencing a mental health crisis or supporting someone in crisis, call the AWP crisis line on: **0800 953 1919**. In an emergency, dial: **999**.

Alabaré Riverside Sanctuary is a confidential service aimed at anyone who is in a mental health crisis or who is struggling to manage their mental wellbeing. The specialist team can provide guidance and advice including coping strategies and help people get further support if they need it.

Tel: **0808 280 3528** (9:00am to 11:00pm, seven days a week, with drop-in sessions available – ring to check availability).

Web:

https://alabare.co.uk/what-we-do/mental-health

#### **Hearing and Vision team**

This specialist countywide team provides a range of services for people who have limited or impaired sight, are D/deaf or have an acquired hearing loss or are deafblind; this is sometimes known as dual sensory impairment – which is when a person has a significant combination of hearing and sight loss.

Deafblindness is a direct impairment that is more than 'just' the loss of your vision and hearing.

It is a unique impairment and is recognised in the Care Act as needing a specialist assessment of

needs. The Hearing and Vision Team consists of the following:

- Social workers with D/deaf people.
- ROHIs (Rehabilitation Officers with People who are Hearing Impaired).
- Dual Sensory Lead.
- Dual Sensory Specialists.
- Communicator Guides for people with a dual sensory impairment.

The team answers public enquiries face-to-face through a number of 'front doors' in the community, primarily for British Sign Language (BSL) users. Access to the service is also available via email, SMS, Skype, WhatsApp, Facetime, fax, minicom, post or telephone.

For more information, call the Advice and Contact Team on: **0300 456 0111**.

The team offers support with day-to-day living such as using a telephone, preparing meals or getting out in the community. The team also signposts to other services, providing information and advice, including equipment providers to help customers maintain their independence at home.

The team can provide assessments that include the everyday needs of adults, both in relation to sensory difficulties and to the ability to live safely and independently. This is achieved by providing a range of specialist services, for which eligibility is assessed. These services include, amongst others:

- Training in independent living skills, such as cooking and getting around, both in and out of your home through indoor and outdoor mobility training.
- Counselling and therapeutic work.
- Advocacy.
- Training in communication skills, such as the use of textphones and reading Braille.
- Advice on communications services, such as sign language interpreters.
- Sensory awareness training, for the public and other professionals.
- Providing access to a wide range of equipment such as talking books, large print labels and markers, visual, audible and tactile alarms.

- Support for carers.
- Registration as severely sight impaired, sight impaired, dual sensory, D/deaf or hearing impaired.
- Liaising with and supporting voluntary agencies, including those engaged in service user consultation.
- Accessing information, communication and mobility.

For referrals to the service, the individual needs to have a diagnosed hearing loss and/or a diagnosed visual impairment (Macular Degeneration for example). This is to check that the individual has already had specialist input from a medical professional to ensure that support from the service complements that of a social care perspective.

The team takes referrals from several different sources: the individual themselves, an unpaid carer, neighbour or professionals working with that person.

#### The Hearing and Vision Team

Tel: **01380 826480** Text: **07899 067466** 

Email: hearingandvisionteam@wiltshire.gov.uk

Web: https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk/

Information/hearing-and-vision-impairment

#### Wiltshire Sight

Providing information and advice across the county for those living with or newly diagnosed with sight loss.

St. Lucy's Sight Centre, Browfort, Bath Road, Devizes SN10 2AT

Tel: **01380 723682** 

Email: info@sightsupportwest.org.uk Web: www.sightsupportwest.org.uk

#### Learning disability and autism

If you are living with a learning disability or autism in Wiltshire, visit: **https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk** or contact the council for support.

The council may be able to signpost you to local services and assess your needs in case help is

available to you.

The council aims to keep people living independently in their own homes wherever possible but, if you need to move somewhere that offers care and support, you might like to consider

other accommodation options – see below.

If your needs are such that you require support in a care home, this Guide contains a list of all care homes in Wiltshire. All learning disability and autism providers are denoted with LDA. You may also find the following organisations useful to refer to.

#### Mencap

Supports people with learning disabilities to feel valued equally, listened to and included.

Tel: 0808 808 1111

Email: helpline@mencap.org.uk Web: www.mencap.org.uk

#### **National Autistic Society**

The UK's leading charity for people on the autism spectrum and their families. It operates a comprehensive directory of services and support for autistic people.

Tel: 0207 833 2299 (general enquiries).

Email: nas@nas.org.uk

Web: www.autism.org.uk/advice-and-guidance

#### Scope

Offers free, impartial and expert information, advice and support to disabled people.

Tel: 0808 800 3333

Email: helpline@scope.org.uk Web: www.scope.org.uk

# Accommodation

#### **Supported Living**

Supported Living is a term generally used to describe situations in which people (often adults with a learning disability or mental health condition) rent their home, and their personal care or support is arranged separately. This means they can change their support without having to move or can move and take the same support with them. People have greater security of tenure and can claim a wider range of welfare benefits than they are able to do in residential care.

Supported Living can be delivered in a range of settings, including individual flats or houses,

clusters of self-contained flats on the same site. shared accommodation and extra care housing. The individual, a private landlord, a housing association, a local authority or a charity may own the property.

Supported Living refers to the way in which accommodation and support are organised, rather than the amount of support. This is tailored to your individual needs and can include access to support 24 hours a day if assessed as necessary, although many people do not require this particularly with the use of technology (discussed on page 7).

#### **Shared Lives**



Shared Lives is a service for adults with learning or Shared Lives physical disabilities and for older people. It is

family-based care provided by individuals and families. Shared Lives carers are local people recruited and trained to make sure they have the right qualities to provide care and support.

#### **Shared Lives Wiltshire**

Tel: **01380 826451** 

Email: sharedlives@wiltshire.gov.uk

Facebook: @SharedLivesWilts • X: @SLWiltshire



#### **Sheltered housing**

If you are an older person who would like to live independently but would also like the added security and reassurance of a scheme manager and an alarm call service, sheltered (or retirement) housing may be the answer.

Sheltered housing is provided by local authorities and housing associations and employs a scheme manager, who is either based at the site or visits regularly.

Many sheltered housing schemes also have communal lounges, laundry facilities, lifts, door entry systems and specially adapted facilities. Refer to the following details for local sheltered housing options.

To apply for sheltered housing, download the application form from the **Homes 4 Wiltshire** website and return it to the team. Visit:

www.homes4wiltshire.co.uk

#### Extra care housing

Extra care housing brings together self-contained accommodation with some communal facilities, allowing you to retain some independence in your living space while also receiving help from an on-site designated team of care workers.

In an extra care scheme, instead of the low-level support traditionally provided by a scheme manager in sheltered housing, higher levels of care and support are provided by the care workers, who may be available 24 hours a day.

Extra care allows you to retain your own tenancy and have care services delivered, ensuring you can remain safely in your own self-contained accommodation. For more information, call: **0300 456 0100** 

The information relating to extra care housing is subject to change during the lifetime of this Guide. For the latest information, contact the council directly.



#### Care homes

Care homes offer accommodation and personal care for people who may not be able to live independently in their own homes. There are two main types of care home, listed as follows.

#### Care home offering personal care only

A care home provides support for people who are unable to live independently in their own homes but who do not need nursing care. The home provides help with personal care, such as washing and dressing, provides meals and laundry services and arranges activities for residents. Some homes also specialise in caring for people who are living with dementia or other long-term conditions.

#### Care home with nursing

A care home with nursing (or 'nursing home')

provides all the care that is available in a care home but also has a registered nurse on duty 24 hours a day.

#### Choosing a home

If you are unsure which type of home would be suitable for you, you can ask for a care needs assessment. If you have savings or capital of less than £23,250 you may be entitled to a contribution from the council to help you pay for your care. For more information about paying for care see page 46.

If you live in a care home with nursing, the NHS will pay part of the care home fees direct to the home, provided you meet the relevant criteria. This is called Funded Nursing Care (FNC). The current amount that the NHS pays for FNC is £235.88 per week.





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Moormead Road, Swindon, Wiltshire, SN4 9BY T: 01793 387330

For support and guidance about care requirements, call our care solutions advisors on 01206 646646

www.healthcarehomes.co.uk



#### → Before you move to a care home

If you are thinking of moving into a care home, it is a good idea to get an assessment before you make the decision. This will help you choose the right type of care and find out whether you are entitled to a contribution towards your fees from the council and/or the NHS. When looking for a care home:

- Is it Care Quality Commission registered?
- Remember, the care must suit your needs.
- A careful and honest assessment by the care provider should establish whether the home matches your needs, but bear in mind that your requirements may change.
- Consider whether the home is sufficiently safe/secure.
- Ask what activities and facilities are offered.
- Ask if the home normally does business with

the council at its fee levels and, if not, find out whether you would have to move or find someone else (known as a third party) to help pay your care home fees should you seek financial support from the council in the future.

See page 46 for more information about paying for care.

Comprehensive lists of care homes and care homes with nursing in Wiltshire start on page 59.



#### Care homes and dementia

A good care home will have a person-centred approach to care for people living with dementia. This means that the unique qualities and interests of each individual will be identified, understood and accounted for in any care planning. The person living with dementia will have an assessment and an ongoing personalised care plan, agreed across health and social care. This should also identify a named care co-ordinator.

The person living with dementia must also be given the opportunity to discuss and make decisions, together with their carers, about the use of advance statements, advance decisions to refuse treatment, Lasting Powers of Attorney and Preferred Priorities for Care. For more information on these last two topics, see pages 53 and 54 respectively.

It is important that care and support options are tailored to the needs of the individual. Make sure staff know the person you care for by providing life-story books, telling staff about their likes and dislikes and providing belongings that bring comfort and have meaning for them.

Within the home, much is down to the attitude and skills of the manager and the staff. Does the

home provide an environment that enables a person living with dementia to exercise choice and personal preferences, even in the later stages of the condition? Who is the person in charge of championing dementia care best practice in the home? Further questions to consider are included in the residential dementia care checklist on page 43.

#### **Design and technology**

The design of a care home specialising in dementia should be based on small group living, preferably with accommodation on one level and with opportunities to go in and out of the building within a safe environment. Plenty of natural light and an easy way of finding one's way around the building and grounds are essential for minimising disorientation.

#### Staff training

Dementia-specific training is essential to ensure care home staff understand how best to support and care for people living with dementia. Ask about the Dementia Friends Ambassador and, if the home does not have a specific Dementia Lead, ask whether the staff have the necessary experience to support someone to live well with dementia.



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01249 489229

**Henford House** 

Lower Marsh Road, Warminster, BA12 9PB

01985 881730

Milford House

Milford Mill Road, Salisbury, SP1 1NJ

01722 622082

The Cedars

North Common Lane, Salisbury, SP5 2EJ

01794 725507

White Lodge

Braydon, Swindon, SN5 OAD

01666 718761

The Wingfield

70A Wingfield Road, Trowbridge, BA14 9EN

01225 560035

Wilton Place

Buckeridge Road, Wilton, Salisbury, SP2 0FX

01722 626388

Home 1	Fees per week Quality rating*
Home 2	£ £
Home 3	
We suggest that you take paper with you when visit download and print this checklist at: <b>www.carechoic</b>	ing care homes so that you can make notes. You can es.co.uk/checklists
Staff	Personal preferences
What is the minimum number of staff that are available at any time?	Is the home too hot/cold? Can you control the heating in your room?
Are staff respectful, friendly and polite?	Is the décor to your taste?
Do staff have formal training?	Are there restricted visiting hours?
Are the staff engaging with residents?	Is there somewhere you can go to be alone?
Activities	Does the home feel welcoming?
Can you get involved in activities you enjoy?	Catering
Is there an activities co-ordinator?	Can the home cater for any dietary
Does the home organise any outings?	requirements you may have?
Are residents escorted to appointments?	Does the menu change regularly?
Do the residents seem entertained?	Can you eat when you like, even at night?
Does the home have a varied activities schedule?	Can you have food in your room?
	Is there a choice of food at mealtimes?
Life in the home	Is alcohol available/allowed if you want it?
Is the home adapted to suit your needs?	Can visitors join you for meals?
Can you bring your own furniture?	
Are there enough plug sockets in the rooms?	Fees
Are there restrictions on going out?	Do your fees cover all of the services and activities?
Is there public transport nearby?	Are fees likely to change regularly?
Does the home provide any transport?	Is the notice period for cancellation of
Can you make/receive calls privately?	the contract reasonable?
Can you decide when to get up and	Could you have a trial period?
go to bed?	Can you keep your room if you go
Does the home allow pets?	into hospital?
Does the home use Digital Care Planning accessible to families?	Can you handle your own money?  *See page 51.



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	Fees per week Qua	ality rating*
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	Health	
	Can residents get help with eating and drinking?	
	How often does the home review residents' medication?	
	Does the home offer help if a resident needs assistance taking medication?  Do GPs visit the home regularly?	
	Staff	
	Are staff trained to identify when a resident might be unwell?	
	needs to go to the toilet?  Do the staff have any dementia-specific	
	training/experience? Will your loved one have a member of staff specifically responsible for their care?	
	Approach to care	
	Does the home follow a specific approach to dementia therapy, for example, validation therapy?	
	Will the home keep you informed	
	approach to end of life care?	
	best practice in dementia care?	
	when visiting care tare homes chec	## Are staff trained to identify when a resident might be unwell?    Are staff trained to spot when someone needs to go to the toilet?   Do the staff have any dementia-specific training/experience?   Will your loved one have a member of staff specifically responsible for their care?   Does the home follow a specific approach to end of life care?   Does the home keep up to date with

<sup>\*</sup>See page 51.

### When to contact the council

Wiltshire Council's aim is to support people to live independently for as long as possible. The council works with customers, carers and care providers to make this happen.

The council will always support people to access the information, advice and community resources that will prevent them from developing eligible needs. However, if you appear to have care and support

needs, the council may offer you an assessment to identify your goals and talk about what options are available to you.

For information on care or support options, visit: https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk or contact the Advice and Contact Team on: 0300 456 0111.

You can also complete a self-referral online.

#### **Assessment**

If you feel you have a need for care and support, you can ask the council for an assessment of your care and support needs. Everyone who has an appearance of needs is entitled to receive an assessment regardless of their financial situation. You can refer yourself for an assessment or be referred by:

- A relative, friend or neighbour (with your permission).
- A social worker or health professional, such as a doctor or health visitor.
- Any health or social care agency.

You can have a carer, friend, relative or advocate with you during the assessment to help put your views and wishes forward if you'd like. Your doctor, district nurse or other health professional who knows you well may also be contacted if you wish. If you do not speak English, or if you use British Sign Language, the council can arrange for an interpreter to be present.

The assessment focuses on what you want to achieve, and you will be encouraged and assisted to contribute as much as possible. This means that the council will talk with you about how best to meet your needs and choices. The assessment will explore and identify an individual's strengths including personal and community networks that can meet needs and improve wellbeing.

If you have eligible needs, the council will work with you to identify how these needs can be met. If any of your needs are not eligible, the council will give you information and advice about how you might reduce the impact of those needs through accessing community and prevention services. For information on when the council might contribute towards the cost of your services, see page 46.

Further information is available at: https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk

#### National eligibility criteria

There is a minimum threshold for eligible care and support needs that has been set by central Government to ensure that all local authorities meet the same minimum level of needs. The aim is to make sure all decisions on who receives help with care and support are made fairly, openly and consistently. You may be eligible for support from the council if:

- Your needs arise from, or are related to, a physical or mental impairment or illness.
- As a result of those needs you are unable to achieve two or more of the specified outcomes (examples of these are: managing and maintaining nutrition; maintaining personal hygiene; and managing toilet needs).
- As a consequence of being unable to achieve these outcomes there is, or there is likely to be, a significant impact on your wellbeing.

For your needs to be considered eligible for

support, you must meet all three criteria. In other words, if you are unable to achieve two or more of these outcomes, but this doesn't have a significant impact on your wellbeing, then you are not eligible for support.

Carers' eligibility works in a similar way to this. Eligibility is based on the impact of caring on the carer's wellbeing.

Following a decision on your eligibility, you will

be assessed to see whether you need to make a financial contribution to any services provided by the council; see page 46. There are many council services which are not means-tested, including bus passes and blue badges for disabled people and carer support.

For more information, call the **Advice and Contact Team** on: **0300 456 0111** or visit:

https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk

#### **Good Lives Alliance**

#### What is it?



The Good Lives Alliance is a list of providers that Wiltshire Council has checked to make

sure that they can provide good-quality services in Wiltshire that are value for money. All service providers on the framework have gone through a full accreditation process evidencing their skills, knowledge and experience.

Wiltshire Council will expect its providers to be the expert in the service they offer, being aware of all relevant national policy and legislation, and to ensure they are able to demonstrate this clearly not only in their procedures and information, but in their delivery of care and support on a day-to-day basis. The Good Lives Alliance will promote a 'wrap around' service which enables people to live independently in their family homes, in a Supported Living arrangement as a direct service or using an Individual Service Fund (ISF), in a Short-term Transitional service or in a residential care home.

#### Who can use it?

Eligibility will be based upon a holistic assessment of an individual's need, as determined by a Care Act 2014 assessment or NHS funding eligibility assessment. For younger people in transition from the age of 16, eligibility will be based upon a Children and Families Act assessment. The Good Lives Alliance will encompass support services for adults of working age who may present with (but not limited to) the following:

- Mental health needs.
- Learning disability (with or without dementia).

- Autistic spectrum condition.
- Physical or sensory needs.
- Social, emotional and behavioural needs.
- Speech, language and communication needs.

For young adults aged 16-25, providers may be commissioned to provide services that support individuals in a family environment. This is especially important for avoiding the 'transitions cliff edge' (18-25 years) for people transferring from children's services to adult services.

#### How does it work?

Once outcomes have been identified following a Care Act Assessment, our brokerage team will source the most appropriate option to meet an individual's needs.

#### How do we choose a provider?

Wiltshire Council will commission services from providers who demonstrate quality and provide the right support and environment to meet complex needs, whilst also maximising people's independence by appropriate and timely withdrawal of their support. Some of the core principles service providers will demonstrate include:

- A commitment to achieving quality and outcomes that matter to individuals.
- Ensuring that person-centred approaches are embedded in their approach to delivering support services.
- Recruiting and developing a skilled and trained workforce.

- Developing their services for people who want to direct and/or purchase their own support.
- Providing good-quality services that offer choice and control, flexibility and best value for people.

Wiltshire Council has a responsibility to ensure providers are of a good quality and have processes and systems in place to safeguard individuals. It is important that staff who are placing individuals, use the Good Lives Alliance for setting up all care-and support-related services for adults with disabilities, unless there are very clear, formally recorded reasons for not doing this.

If the staff placing the individual fail to use a Good Lives Alliance member, there is no guarantee that the provider being used has gone through any form of quality or reference check and this could place the individual at serious risk.

For an up-to-date list of Good Lives Alliance members, or for further information about the Good Lives Alliance, email the Whole Life Commissioning Team at: wlcommissioning@wiltshire.gov.uk or call: 0300 456 0111. To browse providers, visit: https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk (search 'Good Lives Alliance').

### Paying for care

The following information has been developed by a group of public organisations and charities to help people make better and more informed decisions about paying for care, and to encourage people to obtain information and advice about the use of their money in this regard.

Before you think about the likely costs of any care

and support, it is important that you get information and advice about the options open to you regarding the type of service that might suit you. The council can help you identify services and resources in your community that will help you live at home. It will also conduct a financial assessment based on your income, capital and savings to see whether you are eligible for any financial support from the council.

#### **Financial assessments**

Social care is a chargeable service. If you need care and support, contact the council for an assessment of your needs. This will determine your care and support needs and whether any of those needs are eligible. See page 44 for more information on assessments. You may be able to regain your independence with equipment or adaptations to your home or through programmes of rehabilitation.

For more information on remaining independent, see page 7 or call the **Advice and Contact Team** on: **0300 456 0111**. Alternatively, visit: https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk

If you do have eligible care needs, the council will assess your income, savings and capital in accordance with national guidance and its Charging for Care policy. This will determine who is responsible for meeting the cost of your care and

how much you might need to contribute. As part of the financial assessment, a welfare benefit check will be completed to ensure that you are in receipt of all applicable benefits.

You may wish to consider your financial situation using the council's online calculator:

https://wiltshire.mycostofcare.com/OFA

### Financial Advisory

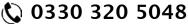


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The value of your main home is only included in your financial assessment if you are moving into permanent residential care.

If you have income, capital or savings of more than £23,250, you will have to pay for any care services you require, but you are entitled to discuss your needs with someone at Wiltshire Council who is trained to advise you. For further information about your options, visit:

#### https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk

(search 'self-funding adult care in Wiltshire' and select 'Information') or see 'Support for people who are funding their own care' on page 48.

If you have income, capital and savings of less

than £23,250, you may be entitled to funding support from the council. The council will advise you on this in more detail.

The amount you may have to contribute to your care and support will be based on your individual circumstances and your financial assessment carried out by Wiltshire Council. As part of this assessment, the council will check that you are receiving all relevant benefits you are entitled to.

For further information, contact the **Advice and Contact Team** on: **0300 456 0111** or visit:

https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk and select
'Advice, advocacy, money' then 'Paying for care.'

#### **Personal Budgets**

A Personal Budget is the amount of money it costs to pay for the care and support you require to meet your eligible needs. Everyone who is eligible for a council contribution towards the cost of their social care will be offered a Personal Budget once their needs have been agreed. The value of your Personal Budget will be based on your eligible needs and your support plan.

You will usually have to pay a contribution towards your Personal Budget. If your Personal Budget is to meet your needs for support as a carer, then you will not be required to pay a contribution towards your carer support. Contributions will be based on a means-tested financial and benefits assessment.

which will identify how much you will need to contribute towards care services.

Most services are means tested, and you will likely need to fund all of your care if you have savings, capital and income above the maximum threshold set by Government (currently £23,250).

If the council is contributing towards your Personal Budget, you can choose to have it managed by the council, you can manage it yourself through a Direct Payment or it can be managed by an authorised person. You can also decide to have some support managed by the council and some by yourself.

#### **Direct Payments**

If you choose to take some or all of your Personal Budget as a Direct Payment, either with or without assistance, you will receive a payment to organise and buy services yourself. If you do not want to manage the Direct Payment yourself, you can nominate someone to manage it for you – they will be your 'authorised person'.

An authorised person is someone who agrees to manage a Direct Payment for a person who lacks capacity according to the Mental Capacity Act 2005. An authorised person must have the capacity to manage the Direct Payment and be deemed appropriate by the local authority.

Direct Payments can be used to arrange support designed to meet your needs in a way that makes sense to you. The council will agree the support with you and write it into your support plan. The following are some examples of what a Direct Payment can be used for:

- Personal care.
- Getting out and about in your local community.
- Enabling you to attend activities for your physical or mental wellbeing and to be able to make the most of the activity.

 Purchasing equipment or digital devices to meet your needs.

You can choose to use your Direct Payment to buy care from an agency, employ your own Personal Assistant or explore more creative and innovative ways of achieving the goals agreed in the support plan.

A carer may be able to get a Direct Payment to pay for support or services which will help them to carry on caring, although they cannot use the payment to support the person they care for. Direct Payments cannot be used for:

 Services or equipment that do not meet the eligible needs identified in the person's support plan.

- Health services or equipment for which the council is not responsible.
- Permanent care in a care home or care home with nursing.
- Anything illegal.
- Services which are managed by the council, for example its in-house day care service.

To learn more about having a Direct Payment, or for support with an existing Direct Payment, contact the Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living on: 0300 123 3442 or email: info@wiltshirecil.org.uk. You can also contact the council's Advice and Contact Team on: 0300 456 0111.

#### Support for people who are funding their own care

If you have eligible needs, and have capital, income and savings below £23,250 and a property that would normally be taken into account in your financial assessment (see page 46), you may be entitled to some of the following assistance with funding your care.

#### The 12-week property disregard

If you are moving into a residential or nursing setting on a permanent basis and your home is to be included in your financial assessment, the council may be able to assist you with the cost of your care during the first 12 weeks of your stay. This is known as the 12-week property disregard, as the value of your property is disregarded from the financial assessment for up to 12 weeks.

You may be entitled to this disregard if your other capital (excluding your property) totals less than the current threshold of £23,250. You will still be required to make a contribution to your care and this will be based on your remaining capital and income.

#### **Deferred payment agreements**

After the 12-week property disregard period (if applicable), you may be eligible for a deferred payment, whereby the council contributes towards your care fees and the money is considered as a loan against the value of your home.

The loan is then recovered once your house has been sold or from your estate.

However, the council may limit how much it will pay, and it may affect your entitlement to pension credit or income support if your property is not seen to be on the market, as it will be treated as capital by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP).

#### **NHS funding**

#### **Funded Nursing Care**

If you need nursing care in a care home with nursing, you may be entitled to funding from the NHS towards the nursing care part of your fees. You should ask your local council, the local integrated care board (ICB), your hospital or doctor whether you might be entitled to this.

#### **Continuing Healthcare**

Continuing Healthcare is the name given to a package of care which is arranged and funded solely by the NHS for individuals outside of hospital, who have primary ongoing and severe healthcare needs. You can receive Continuing Healthcare in any setting, including your own home or a care home. Continuing Healthcare is free, unlike support provided by local authorities for which a financial charge may be made.

If you are found to be eligible for Continuing

Healthcare in your own home, this means the NHS will pay for healthcare (e.g. services from a community nurse or specialist therapist) and associated social care needs (e.g. personal care and domestic tasks, help with bathing, dressing, food preparation and shopping). In a care home, the NHS also pays for your fees, including board and accommodation.

For further information, contact **Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire ICB** on: **0300 304 7455** or

email: bswicb.bswchc@nhs.net

#### Non-means-tested care and support

Care provided by the NHS is free; for example, services provided by a community or district nurse. Some people do not have to pay towards care services. For example, aftercare services provided under section 117 of the Mental Health Act are free of charge.

#### **Running out of money**

If you are fully funding your own care and your capital, savings and income begin to fall below £23,250, you should let the council know well in advance.

It may conduct assessments of your needs and finances to see if it can help you with your care costs.

If you do become eligible for support from the council, but the care that you are already receiving costs more than the council is able to pay, you may want to fund the difference by using a third party. This is known as a 'third-party' or 'top-up' payment. See below for more information.

Contact **Wiltshire Council** on: **0300 456 0111** to find out more or see page 50 for information on getting financial advice.

#### Top-ups

If you are eligible for support from the council with your care home fees, you will be offered a choice of at least one home that meets the local authority's funding rates. If you decide to live in a more expensive home and someone is able to make an additional payment for you, they will have to pay the difference between the council's rate and the amount the home charges. This additional payment is called a 'top-up' or 'third party payment'.

Typically, you cannot pay your own top-up fees. Top-up fees are generally covered by a third party, such as a friend, relative, or charitable organisation. If an individual has agreed to pay for your top-up fees, they will be required to sign a contract, ideally with the council, which will then forward the payment to the care home. The council must be satisfied that the individual is both willing and financially capable of meeting the top-up fee for the duration it is required.

You can only pay your own top-up fees if:

- You've just moved into a care home and are in the 12-week property disregard period.
- You have a deferred payment agreement in

- place. Where this is the case a deferred payment agreement must reflect this arrangement.
- Your accommodation is being provided under Section 117 for Mental Health Aftercare.

If the additional payments stop being paid for any reason, you should seek help and advice from your council. You may have to move to a less expensive home within the local authority's funding levels.

If you are already a resident in a care home and no top-up was required when you became a resident, the home may seek to introduce one at a later date, which would need to be agreed first with the local authority. This may happen if a change to your arrangements is made at your request or with your agreement, for example you move to a nicer room. It is important to note that councils have a duty to offer you a place at a home that accepts their funding rates. If no such place is available, the council should not charge a top-up.



#### Seeking financial advice

Some advisers specialise in the financial needs of people who may need care and support now or in the future. Those advisers who have taken steps to become independently accredited can offer added reassurance that they offer the practical help and guidance needed to make the right decisions at the right time.

You can access both general information about paying for care and information about accredited financial advisers in your area through the Society of Later Life Advisers (SOLLA); visit:

https://societyoflaterlifeadvisers.co.uk or call: 0333 202 0454.

**Money Helper** also gives information about finding independent financial advisers.

Tel: **0800 138 7777** 

Web: www.moneyhelper.org.uk

Age UK, Citizens Advice and the National Debtline can advise you further.

#### Age UK

Provides independent information and advice on finding and paying for care.

Tel: **0800 678 1602 •** Web: www.ageuk.org.uk

#### **Citizens Advice**

Provides quality, free, independent, confidential and impartial advice for everyone.

Tel: **0800 144 8848** 

Web: www.citizensadvice.org.uk

#### **National Debtline**

A charity offering free and independent debt advice over the phone and online.

Tel: 0808 808 4000

Web: www.nationaldebtline.org

### **Essential information**

#### Out of county care

You can choose a care home outside Wiltshire. You may want to be closer to friends or family, or you may want to relocate to another part of the country. If you choose to move to a new local authority area and, before you move, you are eligible for support from Wiltshire Council to pay for your care, Wiltshire Council may contribute to the costs of your care in another area.

The council may only pay care home fees that are the same as the fees the local authority where you are moving to would pay. If the care home that you would like to move to is more expensive than this, the council might offer you an alternative at a fee that it would agree to pay, or you may wish to pay a 'top-up' to cover the difference. For more information about paying for care, see page 46. If you are paying for your own care, you should contact the local authority in the area that you are moving to, so that they can support you with advice and information. It is important to find out about the support that your new local authority could give you if you need help to pay the care home fees in the

future. If you pay for your own care when you move, any help that you may later need to pay for care would need to come from the local authority in the area you move to.

For help finding care across England, visit: **www.carechoices.co.uk** with details of your requirements.



#### Inspecting and regulating care services



Care Quality Health and social care Commission services, excluding personal assistants, must be registered

to show they meet a set of standards. The Care Quality Commission (CQC) is the independent regulator of health and social care in England. It registers care providers and inspects and rates services. When things go wrong, the CQC can also take action to protect people who use these services.

After an inspection of a care home or home care agency, the CQC publishes a report of what it found. The report looks at how well the service meets the CQC's five key questions: Is the service safe? Effective? Caring? Responsive to people's needs? Well led?

Each care home and home care agency will get an overall rating of outstanding, good, requires improvement or inadequate. It will also get ratings for each key question.

The ratings mean you can easily see where a service is performing well and where it needs to improve.

It's always a good idea to check inspection reports and ratings when choosing a care service. You can find reports and ratings on the CQC's website (www.cqc.org.uk). Care providers must also display their latest rating at their premises and on their website.

You can also tell the CQC about your experiences of care – good or bad. It can use your information to see where it should inspect next, and what to look out for when it does. If you want to share your experience of care, visit: www.cqc.org.uk/share

Tel: 0300 061 6161

Email: enquiries@cqc.org.uk

Web: www.cqc.org.uk

Write to: The Care Quality Commission, Citygate,

Gallowgate, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4PA

#### Keeping people safe

Wiltshire Council and its partner agencies expect health and social care services to respect people's dignity, independence, choice and safety and to have zero tolerance towards abuse. The council and its partner agencies recognise that people can be the victim of abuse or neglect. This could include the following:

- Physical abuse including hitting, slapping, pushing, kicking, misuse of medication, inappropriate restraint or inappropriate sanctions.
- Sexual abuse including rape and sexual assault, contact or non-contact sexual acts to which the adult at risk has not or could not consent to or was pressurised into consenting.
- Psychological abuse including emotional abuse, threats of harm or abandonment, deprivation of contact or communication, humiliation, blaming, controlling, intimidation, coercion, harassment, verbal abuse, isolation or withdrawal from services or supportive networks.
- Financial or material abuse including theft, fraud, exploitation, pressure in connection

- with wills, property or inheritance or financial transactions, or the misuse or misappropriation of property, possessions or benefits.
- Neglect or acts of omission including ignoring medical or physical care needs, failure to provide access to appropriate health, social care or educational services, withholding of the necessities of life, such as medication, adequate nutrition and heating, failure to report risk or acts of abuse.
- Discriminatory abuse including that based on a person's ethnic origin, religion, language, age, sexuality, gender, disability, and other forms of harassment, slurs or similar treatment.
- Organisational abuse including neglect and poor care practice within an institution or specific care setting such as a hospital or care home, for example, or in relation to care provided in one's own home. This may range from one-off incidents to ongoing ill-treatment. It can be through neglect or poor professional practice as a result of the structure, policies, processes and practices within an organisation.

- Domestic abuse including any incident or pattern of incidents of controlling, coercive or threatening behaviour, violence or abuse between those aged 16\* or over who are, or have been, intimate partners or family members regardless of gender or sexuality. This can encompass, but is not limited to, psychological, physical, sexual, financial and emotional abuse.
   \*Although this definition refers to those over 16, in the context of this policy, safeguarding adults refers to victims of domestic abuse who are 18 years or over.
- Modern slavery including slavery, human trafficking, forced labour and domestic servitude.
- Self-neglect including neglecting to care for one's personal hygiene, health or surroundings and behaviour such as hoarding.

#### Where might abuse occur?

Abuse can take place in any situation:

- Where the person lives, either alone or with someone else.
- In supported/sheltered accommodation.
- Within nursing, residential or day care settings.
- In hospital.
- In custodial situations.
- Where support services are being provided.
- In public places.

#### Who might be the abuser?

Those who carry out abuse or neglect are not confined to any section of society, and may hold a position of trust, power or authority in relation to an adult in need of care and support (from here on referred to as 'adult' in this section). A person who causes harm may be:

- A member of staff, proprietor or service manager.
- A member of a recognised professional group.
- A volunteer or member of a community group such as a place of worship or social club.
- A service user or adult at risk.
- A spouse, relative or member of the adult's social network.

- A carer, i.e. someone who has the right to an assessment and may be eligible for services to meet their caring role independently of an adult at risk.
- A neighbour, member of the public or stranger.
- A person who deliberately targets adults at risk.
- In the case of self-neglect, the adult themselves.

All organisations providing health, housing and social care services in Wiltshire should follow 'Safeguarding Adults at Risk in Wiltshire', a document from the Wiltshire Safeguarding Vulnerable People Partnership

(www.wiltshiresvpp.org.uk – search 'Policies, reports, guidance and resources') and report any allegations or suspicions that a vulnerable adult is being abused. Members of the public should also report abuse to the council if they suspect or know about it.

Your concern will always be taken seriously. For more information about abuse, visit the Wiltshire Safeguarding Vulnerable People Partnership website: www.wiltshiresvpp.org.uk

There is also information about forms of abuse on Wiltshire Council's website: https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk/Information/adult-abuse

If you have any concerns about a vulnerable person being harmed or neglected, contact the **Advice and Contact Team**.

Tel: **0300 456 0111** 

Out of hours: 0300 456 0100

Web: https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk/ Information/referrals-and-forms

If you think someone is in immediate danger, call: **999**.

#### Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS)

The DBS helps employers to make safer recruitment decisions and prevents unsuitable people from working with vulnerable groups. Anyone employing a Personal Assistant is advised to carry out a DBS check. You can be supported to do this by the Direct Payment support organisation; see page 47 or visit: www.gov.uk/dbs for more information.

#### Finding care in your area

Looking for care in your area? Want to know the quality rating of providers you're considering? Care Choices, publisher of this Guide, has a website providing comprehensive details of care providers as well as essential information.

You can search by postcode, county or region for care homes, care homes with nursing and home care providers that meet your needs across the country. Your search can be refined by the type of care you are looking for and the results can be sent to you by email. They can also be saved and emailed to others.

The website includes detailed information for each care provider, including the address, phone number and the service's latest CQC inspection report and rating (see page 51), indicating the quality of care provided. You can also view an electronic version of this Guide on the site and have it read to you by using the 'Recite Me' function.

Visit: www.carechoices.co.uk

A countywide list of home care providers starts on page 21.

#### How solicitors can help

A solicitor can give you impartial advice about wills, making gifts, estate planning and powers of attorney. Some can also offer guidance on immediate and long-term care plans, ensuring (if applicable) the NHS has made the correct contribution to your fees.

#### Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA)

This can be set up when you are able to make informed decisions for yourself. It allows you to appoint someone you trust to make decisions about your personal welfare, including healthcare and consent to medical treatment, and/or your property and financial affairs. An LPA is only valid once registered with the Office of the Public Guardian. It authorises the person you have chosen to make decisions on your behalf at a time when you may be unable to do so.

#### The Court of Protection (Deputyship)

The Court of Protection can issue orders directing the management of a person's property and financial affairs/health and welfare if they have been medically assessed as lacking capacity and have not arranged an LPA. The Court will appoint a Deputy who will then be authorised to administer your affairs whether finance and property and/ or health and welfare. The Office of the Public Guardian monitors the work undertaken by the Deputy and an annual report is submitted to ensure that the Deputy has undertaken this administration appropriately and made decisions in the best interest of the incapacitated person.

An Advance Directive allows you to communicate your wishes in respect of future medical treatment, but it is not legally binding. You may instead wish to make a living will, properly known as an Advance Decision, setting out treatment that you do not want to receive in specified circumstances, which would legally have to be followed, even if you die as a result. Any proposed gift out of your estate needs careful consideration of the benefits, risks and implications, particularly on any future liability for care costs or tax liability.

If you don't have your own solicitor, ask family or friends for their recommendations. Contact several firms, explain your situation and ask for an estimate of cost and an idea of timescales involved. Many firms will make home visits if necessary and will adapt their communications to meet your needs. It's important to find a solicitor who specialises in this area of the law. Citizen's Advice offers an advice service and will be able to recommend solicitors in your area. See page 57 for contact details.



#### Planning for end of life

The subject of dying is often painful to contemplate, however, planning for the end of life can be a good way to share your wishes and help your family to know what you would like to happen. Good planning for all your needs should mean that you can convey your wishes, including where you would like to die if you choose. You may wish to remain in your own home or care home in your last days and not be admitted to hospital.

When choosing a care service, you should consider its end of life care philosophy and policies. Enabling people to die in comfort and with dignity is a core part of providing care. The way care professionals approach the process will be incredibly important for you, your family and carers.

The service should have an open approach to end of life care. It should initiate conversation with you and your family and work with your GP to ensure your needs and wishes are discussed and planned for. An end of life care plan should also be drawn up, as it is vital to establish your preferences and choices.

You could use the Preferred Priorities for Care (PPC) document to help with outlining your wishes. The PPC document is designed to help you prepare for the future and gives you an opportunity to think about, talk about and write down your preferences and priorities for care at the end of life.

Search online for examples of the PPC document.

It is worth asking care providers whether they are working towards The Gold Standards Framework. This can be used in various settings, for example hospitals, primary care and care homes, to improve the co-ordination and communication between different organisations involved in providing care for someone near the end of their life.

#### Planning for your funeral

While you are thinking about the future, you may want to consider writing down your wishes for your funeral. This can help to alleviate pressures on your family. Your family may appreciate knowing your wishes, so they can make sure they are considered at your funeral. By detailing your wishes, your family can be comforted by the fact that they don't need to make all the decisions about what you would have liked or wonder whether they are making the right choices. Things to consider are included on the Hospice UK website. Visit: www.hospiceuk.org (search 'how to arrange a funeral').

You do not have to instruct a funeral director but, if you do, ensure the director you choose is a member of either the National Association of Funeral Directors or the National Society of Allied and Independent Funeral Directors. These associations have strict guidelines to which members must adhere.

#### Complaints, compliments and feedback

If you are unhappy about any aspect of your support — whether it's the way you are treated by staff, the quality of the food you are served or anything else that affects your happiness or comfort — you should feel able to complain. You should also feel free to make comments and suggestions about possible improvements to your surroundings and the services provided and compliment staff when things go well.

Making a complaint should not be made difficult for you and should not affect the standard of care that you receive. All social care services are required under Government regulations to have a simple and easy-to-use complaints procedure.

If you are concerned about the care that you, a friend or a relative are receiving in a care home, it makes sense to speak to the manager about your concerns before you take any further action. The problem may be resolved quite easily once they are made aware of it. However, if you need to make a formal complaint, you should initially contact the registered owner of the home. They have a duty to respond to any complaints made.



If your complaint is about a breach of regulations, contact the **Care Quality Commission**.

Tel: 0300 061 6161 • Web: www.cqc.org.uk

If the council has arranged and funded a place for you in a care home, you can complain to your social worker, care manager or the **Customer Complaints Team**.

Tel: 01225 718400

Email: complaints@wiltshire.gov.uk
Web: www.wiltshire.gov.uk/complaints-

making-a-complaint

Post: Customer Complaints Team, Wiltshire Council, County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge BA14 8JN

#### Complaints about care that you pay for yourself

You can ask the Local Government & Social Care Ombudsman to take up your case if you are not happy about how a care home or service dealt with your complaint about care that you pay for yourself.

Tel: **0300 061 0614** Web: **www.lgo.org.uk** 

### Care associations in Wiltshire

### National Care Association (NCA) merged with the Registered Nursing Home Association (RNHA)



The NCA has merged with the RNHA, established in 1968 to provide a

strong united voice for all members. These merged associations represent the authoritative voice of care homes and community services throughout the United Kingdom. The fundamental aims that belong to the Wiltshire branch of the merged associations are:

- To ensure that the client comes first in the provision of high-quality care designed to meet individual needs.
- To ensure that the client is always treated in a dignified manner which respects the individual's right to make decisions regarding their care.
- By constant endeavour, to review and improve professional standards in order to provide a high quality of life for vulnerable people.
- To ensure that the professional status of care homes and care services are further developed.
- To support a forum through the Wiltshire Care Partnership that encourages the exchange of

expertise and practical experience in order to secure high professional standards.

Care homes and care services are subject to statutory inspection by the Care Quality Commission (CQC). All members must, in addition to this, fulfil the stringent criteria of the NCA and RNHA.

By fulfilling the exacting standards of the CQC and the NCA merged with the RNHA, the public can be assured that members achieve the highest quality of care. For further information or advice, refer to the following contact details.

#### **Matthew Airey**

Managing Director – Wessex Care Ltd
Wiltshire Regional Chair and National Director
– Registered Nursing Home Association

Tel: 01722 336933

Email: matthew@wessexcare.com

A countywide list of home care providers begins on page 21.

#### Wiltshire Care Partnership



A dedicated and effective association for Wiltshire's independent care providers.

Wiltshire Care Partnership (WCP) is a member-led

organisation. Our role is to represent and support independent providers of residential, nursing and domiciliary care for older people and adults with disabilities in Wiltshire, working alongside commissioners to achieve the provision of

high-quality, safe services. WCP provides a valuable channel of communication, facilitating information and idea exchanges and sharing best practice amongst our members. WCP is a voice for care providers and ensures their skills and expertise are promoted to achieve the best outcomes. We also work hard to ensure issues affecting our members are addressed by commissioning successful partner organisations.

WCP membership is open to all independent sector providers of residential, nursing and domiciliary care for older people and adults with disabilities. Key benefits of membership include:

- Weekly e-bulletins with key local, national and members' news, information and links to events, training and publications.
- The opportunity to engage with and influence the agenda of commissioners, NHS providers and new local developments.
- Free support from our Trusted Assessors, who
  have been commissioned through the Better
  Care Fund to assist care providers with discharges
  from acute and community hospitals and
  Discharge to Assess beds in the community.
- Forum meetings held virtually and in person for members exclusively, focused on issues of importance to providers and workshops delivered in conjunction with our sponsors.
- Invitations to WCP events and conferences free or at a discount to members, including heavily subsidised training and development events.
- Free or discounted training sessions on topics of interest, such as the Mental Capacity Act and dementia.
- Members' briefings summarising the key points of any important new policies.
- Regular email updates and e-surveys to identify members' needs and issues.
- Voting power to elect the WCP Board and influence the annual work programme.
- Access to a joint working programme with commissioners focused on shared priorities.
- Free and discounted services provided by our

- sponsors RWK Goodman solicitors.
- Input to the joint work programme between WCP, Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board (BSW ICB) and Banes, Swindon and Wiltshire Care Skills Partnership, to identify and respond to the specific training and development needs of local care providers, registered managers and staff.
- Free support with cyber security and completion of the Data Security and Protection Toolkit, which is increasingly being used by NHS and local authority commissioners to assess cyber readiness.

One of our dedicated recruitment team can help you begin your career in care today. We have also developed a series of podcasts supporting women, men, colleagues, employers, clients, friends and family members who are all affected by menopause symptoms. We continue to contribute to the wider commissioning agenda in both health and social care, ensuring the input of care providers is embedded in the ongoing planning and development of services.

WCP's board comprises provider representatives, with full voting rights. These include members of the National Care Association (NCA) merged with the Registered Nursing Home Association (RNHA) and Learning Disabilities Provider Forum. Wiltshire Council and BSW ICB are represented on the board, but do not have voting rights. This ensures high-level discussion of key issues, giving WCP members a voice at a senior level in both commissioning organisations.

If you are a residential, nursing or domiciliary care provider in Wiltshire, or you provide services to people with learning disabilities, please consider joining Wiltshire Care Partnership. The stronger the membership, the better WCP can develop effective peer support, grow a collective voice and influence commissioners to provide high-quality, safe services.

To find out more about **WCP** and how to contact us, please visit our website at:

www.wiltshirecarepartnership.org.uk

### Useful contacts

#### **Age UK Wiltshire**

The Wool Shed, New Park Street SN10 1DY

Tel: 0808 196 2424

Web: www.ageuk.org.uk/wiltshire

#### Salisbury

St Michael's Community Centre, 96 St Michael's Road SP2 9LE

#### **Alabaré**

Riverside House, 2 Watt Road, Churchfields, Salisbury SP2 7UD

Tel: 01722 322882 • Email: enquiries@alabare.co.uk

Web: www.alabare.co.uk

#### Alzheimer's Society - Dementia Support

Tel: **0333 150 3456** 

#### **Alzheimer's Support Wiltshire**

Tel: **01225 776481** 

Email: **office@alzheimerswiltshire.org.uk** Web: **www.alzheimerswiltshire.org.uk** 

#### **Devizes**

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Email: counselling@wiltshiremind.co.uk

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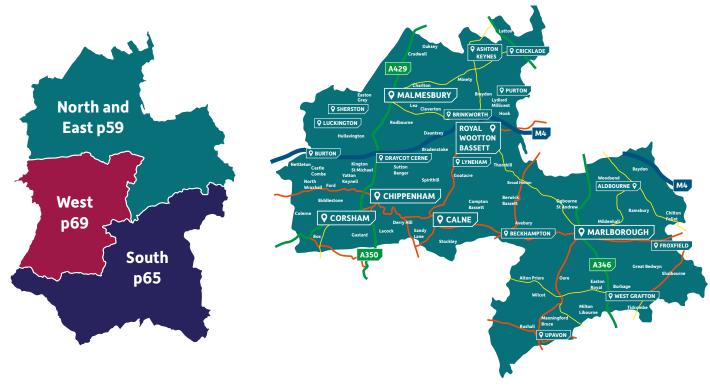
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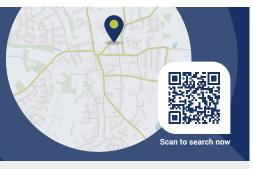
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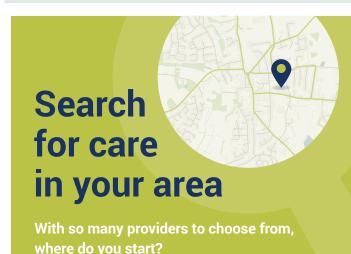
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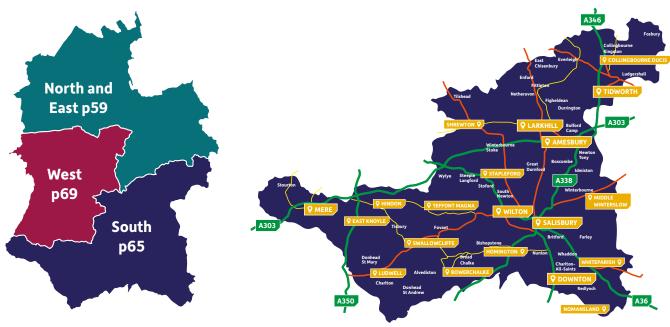
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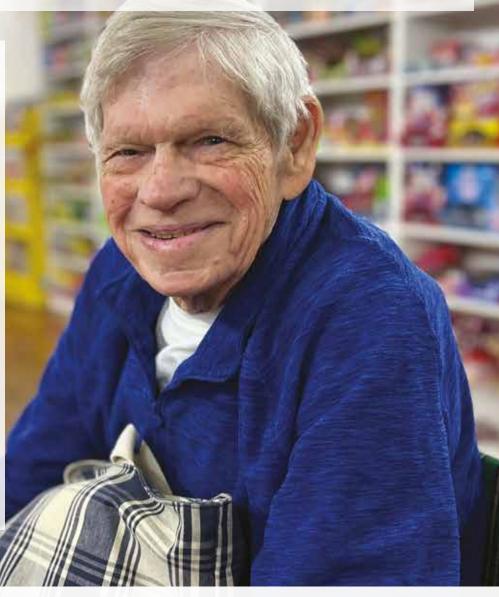
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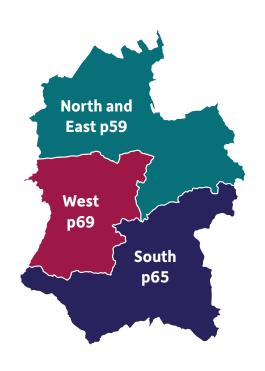


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