

Fees paid for adult social care services

Fees 2025-26

April 2025

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- 1.1 The rates paid to commissioned framework provision are reviewed annually and agreed through the council's budget setting process, which usually takes place at the end of February, or beginning of March.
- 1.2 The annual review considers the annual increases faced by employers such as national living wage rises, increases to national insurance and contributions to pensions. The annual review also considers the cost-of-living increases, and we review the Consumer Price Index with Housing related costs (CPIH). We consult with providers ahead of the fees being set for the forthcoming financial year.

2 Fee rates for 2025-26

Service Type	2025-26 Rates
Standard Residential Care	£735.00
Enhanced Residential Care	£780.00
Standard Nursing Care	£830.00
Enhanced Nursing Care	£865.00
Care at Home (included where paid through a Direct Payment)	£24.04
Extra Care Housing	£21.48
Supported Living non-complex support p/hour	£21.48
Supported Living complex p/hour	£23.65
Supported Living Sleep ins p/night	£100.00
PAs	£12.60
Shared Lives – Band 4	£441.07
Shared Lives – Band 3	£355.41
Shared Lives – Band 2	£287.22
Shared Lives – Band 1	£218.49

2.1 Residential and Nursing Enhanced Rate

- 2.1.1 'Enhanced' rates were introduced in 2023-24. There are set criteria for what qualifies as an 'enhanced' rate, this is not about a particular condition (e.g. dementia) but about the needs of the individual. The rate will be applied as

part of a placement or a review and there is a process for appealing if provider thinks an enhanced rate should apply. If you would like more information about enhanced rates, please contact asccommissioning@oldham.gov.uk

3 Out of area placement fee reviews

- 3.1 Providers who request an annual fee review will follow a similar process to that outlined above, in that the service can only approve fee increases to the percentage agreed at Full Council budget setting. It is important, and indeed, best practice for commissioners to understand the agreed host authority's rates for where the out of area (OOA) provider is based.
- 3.2 When contact is made by an OOA provider, commissioners seek written confirmation on the rate agreed by them for the provision or provider specific, and this also includes requesting understanding of their percentage uplifts agreed. The host's authority rates, and local agreed rates are taken into consideration prior to confirming in writing the agreed rate and percentage uplift applied, including when the provider can expect to receive this.

4 Specialist Provision

- 4.1 The fees for specialist provision, either in Oldham or outside of the borough will be reviewed used the Care Cubed system. Care Cubed has been adopted by Oldham in the last couple of years, and more recently health commissioners have signed up to use it. The system provides benchmarking data using live information against a range of national data sets and is increasingly being used by children's, adults and health commissioners across the country.