

Request:

I am making this Freedom of Information request to ask about fee rates which are being paid by your authority to support older people (65+) in independent sector care homes. These are the questions:

1. What is the average weekly fee (to the nearest £) currently (financial year 2020/21) being paid by your authority to support older (65+) residents of independent sector care homes in a) residential care and b) nursing care? Note: average weekly fees should be stated gross of user charges and net of NHS FNC payable by CCGs or the equivalent in devolved administrations*

Information on averages is not held

2. How many older (65+) residents are you currently** supporting in independent sector care homes for a) residential care and b) nursing care***?

a) Residential - 546

b) Nursing - 168

These figures do not include self-funding clients or chc clients, but they do include both long and short term placements.

3. How many older (65+) residents are you currently** supporting in local authority operated residential care homes***?

We do not have any LA operated care homes

4. What do you expect to be the average percentage uplift for 2021/22 in the average weekly fee rates your authority pays to independent sector care homes for care of older (65+) residents.

The Authority is currently considering the financial increase to all care providers from April 2021, as in previous years this will take account of living wage increase, general consumer price index increase and other cost pressures that are considered appropriate.

Latest available figure *Include full cost payers, if any