Hertfordshire
Care Services Directory 2020

The essential guide to choosing and paying for care and support

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Hertfordshire Care Providers Association

www.carechoices.co.uk
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All the listings in this publication of care homes, care homes with nursing and home care providers are supplied by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) and Care Choices Ltd cannot be held liable for any errors or omissions.

To obtain extra copies of this Directory, free of charge, call **Care Choices** on **01223 207770**.

**Visit [www.carechoices.co.uk](http://www.carechoices.co.uk) for further assistance with your search for care**
Welcome to this edition of the independent Hertfordshire Care Services Directory, which contains information for adults looking for care or support within the county, whether they are paying for it themselves or receiving support from the council.

Staying as independent as possible is important to everybody. This Directory contains information about the care and support services available to enable you to do this when remaining at home, moving into a housing with care scheme, or within a care home or care home with nursing.

If you feel you need support to remain independent, first look to your community. There’s a host of organisations and voluntary services that could help you.

If you think you need more formal care and support, arrange an assessment with your local Adult Social Services department to establish your specific needs. This is free, irrespective of your income and available to all those who appear to need care and support. More details are provided on page 13. The assessment will determine whether you are eligible for financial support via a Personal Budget, which may allow you to buy in your own support and take control of your situation.

Alternatively, your circumstances may mean you are classed as a ‘self-funder’, with the means to pay for your care. This is discussed on page 21 for those paying for care at home and 50 for those paying for residential care.

Support or care to remain living in your own home may be the option that best suits your circumstances. Ideas to make life easier at home start on page 5 and a list of local home care providers begins on page 25.

If you are unable to remain at home, you may want to consider a housing with care scheme (see page 38) or residential care. Comprehensive lists of care homes and care homes with nursing in Hertfordshire start on page 59.

There’s also important information about care decisions, including finding care in another county, making a comment or complaint about a service and how solicitors can help you.

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 Directory, 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 55), indicating the quality of care provided.

You can also view an electronic version of this Directory on the site and have it read to you by using the ‘Recite Me’ function. Visit www.carechoices.co.uk
Hertfordshire Care Providers Association (HCPA) is a membership body open to all independent providers of social care (private, not-for-profit and charitable organisations), delivering care to people in their own homes, in a residential, supported or a nursing setting within Hertfordshire.

We are extremely dedicated to our mission of ‘sharing best practice in care through partnership’, and through our close relationship with Adult Social Services at Hertfordshire County Council, we are able to act as a voice for care providers on important adult social care issues in Hertfordshire.

HCPA has excellent partnership links to the local authority, the NHS and its clinical commissioning groups. Our relationship with the local authority has gone from strength to strength and, by working in partnership, we can ensure that Hertfordshire is one of the best counties in which to find excellent care for vulnerable adults.

We attend regular strategic and liaison meetings with Adult Social Services at the local authority to discuss and review contracts and procedures, as well as a variety of initiatives aimed at tackling issues facing vulnerable adults and designing better ways of working for the future.

HCPA also acts as a dedicated funding hub for the county to help ensure that there is a fully-trained, up-to-date and competent workforce providing good quality, personalised care, and each year we celebrate excellence in care by hosting the annual Hertfordshire Care Awards.

Hertfordshire care providers who hold a current membership with HCPA are committed to delivering the highest standards of care and keen to play an active part in the county’s wider social care community.

We actively encourage anyone who provides adult social care in Hertfordshire to join HCPA as a member; we can offer up-to-date information, support and advice, training courses and qualifications and a host of business services.

We are happy to engage with any new care provider. Visit our website at www.hcpa.info for more information, email us on contact@hcpa.info, or call 01707 536020. We’ll be happy to help.

We are delighted to be associated with this publication produced by Care Choices, and we hope you find this Directory useful in your search for appropriate care in Hertfordshire.

Helping you to stay independent

Hertfordshire County Council

At Hertfordshire County Council, we want to help you stay independent and active, remain living in your home and have choices about any care and support you receive.

Our website www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/adults has lots of information about how the council can help you.

You can apply for a Blue Badge, Meals on Wheels and request a social care assessment. You can also find out about equipment, gadgets and social care apps to make life easier.

Visit www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/directory for information on services, groups and activities in your community.

Telephone us on 0300 123 4042 if you would rather talk to someone.
HertsHelp: Independent information, advice and support in Hertfordshire

HertsHelp is here to listen and help you find the support, advice and information you need to get the most out of life. HertsHelp can help you get out and about, understand your rights and entitlements and volunteer in your community. HertsHelp can put you in touch with other organisations that can help too. You may need to pay for some services, but HertsHelp will let you know at the start.

HertsHelp can help you to:

• find local clubs and activities;
• get advice on care planning and paying for care;
• access benefit advice and debt counselling;
• get the right support in crisis;
• feel safe and confident when going home from hospital;
• get equipment to be independent and safe at home; and
• get through a difficult time.

HertsHelp can talk things through on the telephone or face-to-face and come up with a plan to help you feel more in control of your situation.

You can contact us directly or your GP, support worker or relative can refer you to HertsHelp with your permission.

How to get in touch:
Tel: 0300 123 4044 (local call rate).
Email: info@hertshelp.net
Web: www.hertshelp.net

Do you care for someone who needs your help?

You are a carer if you provide unpaid help and support to a family member, friend or neighbour who would otherwise not be able to manage. You may need support for yourself to stay fit and well and have time away from your caring role. There are services and organisations that can help you. The council care about carers and want to make sure that you have support in your caring role. For more information, go to www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/carers or phone us on 0300 123 4042.

Day care centres

Many people can feel lonely or isolated without an opportunity to fill their days with meaningful activities. Research has shown that one way to alleviate loneliness and promote wellbeing and independence is to provide regular social contact and a focus for activities.

Day care centres give people the chance to change their routine, meet new people, take up an activity or receive specialist services such as chiropody or hairdressing. There is a wide variety around the county, catering for older people, people with mental health conditions, learning disabilities and dementia.

Centres can be as important for carers as those attending as they allow for a regular break from caring.

You can find local day opportunities by visiting www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/directory and searching for ‘day centres’.

Meals on wheels

If you are eligible, Hertfordshire County Council can provide meals delivered to your home.

Meals are provided by Hertfordshire Independent Living Service, a not-for-profit social enterprise. The standard menu includes a choice of five main courses per day and a selection of hot and cold desserts. A wide range of specialist meals for clients...
who would like Kosher, Halal, vegetarian, Asian or Caribbean/West Indian food is also available.

A number of commercial companies can also provide this service. Go to [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/directory](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/directory) and search for ‘meals on wheels’.

**Adapting your home**

To remain in your own home for as long as you would like, you should ensure that it is safe, secure and warm. Some forward planning to ensure that 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. They 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 they will normally offer to get estimates from one or more of their regular contractors. Subject to your acceptance, the HIA will then offer to manage the works contract for you 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. They 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](http://www.housingcare.org) or contact your local council.

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**Tell us what you think**

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

**Share your feedback** – take our five minute survey [www.carechoices.co.uk/reader-survey](http://www.carechoices.co.uk/reader-survey)

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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 keep you independent. 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.

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 so that you can turn your lights on and off using 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? Try making a note of when you’ve taken them, or buy an automatic pill dispenser or pill box. If you struggle to open your medicine, you can 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 long-handled 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, or non-slip mats for the table. Lightweight cups and mugs with two handles could also be a solution.

Using taps can be made easier by fitting tap turners. You could also consider changing to lever-style taps which might be easier for you to use.
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 17.

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.

Hertfordshire County Council – Adult Social Services
Tel: 0300 123 4042 or 0300 123 4044
Email: info@hertshelp.net
Web: www.hertshelp.net

Visit www.carechoices.co.uk for further assistance with your search for care
**Specialist equipment**

There is a range of equipment available to make life easier and to improve safety and independence in the home, such as stair rails, raised toilet seats, shower stools etc. These items are often referred to as ‘simple aids for daily living’.

If you would like more information, please contact Adult Social Services, HertsHelp or go to [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk)

The Disabled Living Foundation (DLF) provides a quick and easy to use online guided advice service called AskSARA, which can help anyone who finds that they have difficulties with everyday tasks.

Visit [www.asksara.org.uk](http://www.asksara.org.uk) to learn more about possible solutions or see pages 8 to 9. Once you have identified equipment that might help with your support needs, use the checklist on page 12 to make sure it’s right for you.

The organisations listed here can give advice and information about equipment and may offer help with ordering equipment or run a hire or loan scheme.

**Hertfordshire Action on Disability (HAD)**

HAD has a permanent display of specialist equipment that you can try. It also runs a wheelchair accessible transport service. HAD is open Monday to Thursday, 9.00am to 5.00pm; and Friday, 9.00am to 4.30pm.

The Woodside Centre,
The Commons,
Welwyn Garden City AL7 4DD
Tel: 01707 324 581
Web: [www.hadnet.org.uk](http://www.hadnet.org.uk)

**Hertfordshire Hearing Advisory Service (HHAS)**

An independent charity helping people with hearing loss across Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire.

The Woodside Centre,
The Commons,
Welwyn Garden City AL7 4SE
Tel: 01707 324 582

**Herts Vision Loss**

Charity providing services and information to blind and partially sighted people throughout Hertfordshire.

The Woodside Centre,
The Commons,
Welwyn Garden City AL7 4SE
Sight Line: 01707 324 680
Web: [www.hertsvisionloss.org.uk](http://www.hertsvisionloss.org.uk)

**Local suppliers**

**Alphamarque**

Shop 1, Highfield Park,
Russet Drive,
St Albans AL4 0AZ
Open Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 5.00pm; and Saturday, 10.00am to 5.00pm.
Tel: 01727 837 836
Email: sales@alphamarque.com
Web: [www.alphamarque.com](http://www.alphamarque.com)

**Auto Mobility Concepts Ltd**

Unit 2, Maxted Corner,
Maylands Industrial Estate,
Hemel Hempstead HP2 7RA
Tel: 01442 270 202
Web: [www.automobilityconcepts.com](http://www.automobilityconcepts.com)

**Hemel Hempstead**

158 Marlowes HP1 1BA
Tel: 01442 242 850

**Watford**

172 High Street WD17 2EG
Tel: 01923 804 142

**Better Mobility**

12 Henry Wells Square, Grovehill, Hemel Hempstead HP2 6BJ
Open Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 5.00pm.
Tel: 01442 768 782
Email: sales@bettermobility.co.uk
Web: [www.bettermobility.co.uk](http://www.bettermobility.co.uk)
Telecare

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

Telecare can allow users to regain confidence in their homes and remain independent. Relatives and carers are also reassured, safe in the knowledge that should an incident occur, they will know about it.

Some devices can also help monitor particular health conditions and reduce the need for hospital admission.

You can buy telecare and assistive technology from private companies and organisations or, if you’re eligible through an assessment (see page 13), Hertfordshire County Council may be able to provide it for you. For further information, please visit www.hertfordshire.gov.uk
Assistive technology checklist

We suggest you consider the following questions before buying any assistive technology. If you are in any doubt about what technology might help meet your needs, you can contact your council or visit www.asksara.org.uk.

You can download and print this checklist at www.carechoices.co.uk/checklists

Suitability

Does the equipment support your specific needs? [ ]
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 assistive technology you already have? [ ]

Usability

Is a simpler piece of equipment available, e.g. a pill case rather than an automated pill dispenser? [ ]
Does the equipment need a plug socket, and will its wire cause a trip hazard? [ ]
Is it easy to use? Can you read/hear it clearly and are any buttons big enough for you? [ ]
Are you able to use it? Are there any aspects you don’t understand? [ ]
Is it portable? [ ]

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 particular piece of 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. [ ]
Is it durable? If you might drop it, is it likely to break? [ ]

Cost

Do you know how much it costs? [ ]
Will you need to pay a monthly charge? [ ]
Are there alternative solutions that might be free? [ ]
Is there a cost associated with servicing the equipment? [ ]

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Support from the council

The way councils provide services to eligible adults and their carers is called personalisation. This term is used to describe a number of ways in which eligible adults can receive a mixture of local authority and government money to pay for the care services they need without direct council involvement. If you approach the council for social care support, your needs and finances will be assessed. If you have a carer, they can be involved and have their needs assessed too.

Your assessment

If you appear to have care or support needs, you have the legal right to an assessment of your care needs and finances. Councils are statutorily obliged to provide this to you, regardless of whether you access their services. The assessment (which is free) will consider:

- how you can best be supported to live as independently as possible;
- your home and how you are coping in it;
- your emotional wellbeing;
- your diet; and
- any health and medical treatments you need.

You will need to contact Adult Social Services to arrange an assessment. Call 0300 123 4042.

Once Adult Social Services understands your care and financial needs, the next stage is to determine what services you may be eligible for and who will pay for them.

The council will give you more information on eligibility and the national eligibility criteria it uses at the time of your assessment.

Information on paying for care can be found on page 21 if you are receiving home care and page 50 if you are moving into a care home.

Personal Budgets

If you are eligible for support from the council, you may be given a Personal Budget.

A Personal Budget is the amount of money that the council calculates it will cost to meet the support needs of eligible people. If you are eligible for a Personal Budget, the actual amount you receive will depend on your eligible needs and your finances.

The money should be spent in line with a support plan that has been agreed by both you and the council and can be either a full or a partial contribution to such costs. You may also choose to pay for additional support on top of the budget. Any eventual contractual agreement for services is between you and your care provider, not the council.

If you are eligible, a Personal Budget may be taken:

- in the form of a Direct Payment, held directly by you or, where you lack capacity, by a ‘suitable person’;
- by way of an account held and managed by the council in line with your wishes; or
- as a mixture of the above.

Assessments from hospital

If you have been admitted to hospital and you might need care on discharge, you may be referred to the discharge team for an assessment, which will take place on the ward. The team may be made up of social workers, carers’ officers, mental health workers and housing officers.

Whatever services you need on discharge, Adult
Social Services will work with you, your family and carers to either restart services already in place prior to admission or to provide the appropriate services if you are eligible.

Sometimes interim care packages are set up to facilitate your discharge and you will be reassessed by a community social worker within four to six weeks.

For more information on support when you leave hospital, visit www.hertfordshire.gov.uk and search 'coming out of hospital'.

Enablement

Enablement is an intensive short-term service that helps people regain skills and confidence, for example, after a fall or hospital stay. You may need to have an assessment of your care needs to decide whether you are eligible. If you are eligible, an enablement worker will support you for a limited period, usually up to four weeks.

Enablement helps people to learn or re-learn daily living skills. It is not about doing things for you, it's about giving you the skills and confidence to do things for yourself. It can also mean that you do not start to depend on support that could cost you money. For example, an enablement worker could help you regain your confidence following a fall or provide support that enables you to prepare a meal if there has been a change in circumstances that means you need to cook. They may also identify pieces of equipment that could support you to regain or maintain your independence for as long as you can.

Speak to your GP, hospital staff or care manager if you think you might benefit from enablement. They can put you in touch with the right services if they feel that enablement will help you.

Intermediate care

This aims to give recovery and rehabilitation support to help people regain their independence when they come out of hospital or, just as importantly, prevent them going unnecessarily into hospital.

Intermediate care can be provided in your own home or in a care home, depending on local policy and your specific needs. It can be provided by care staff, occupational therapy and physiotherapy, with additional support provided by the local GP surgery, social workers and community nurses. This combined resource helps people to regain their independence and feel confident in their ability to manage for themselves with any necessary additional support.

Intermediate care, including any care home fees where relevant, is provided by the 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.

NHS Continuing Healthcare

NHS Continuing Healthcare is a package of continuing care that is arranged and funded solely by the NHS. This is free of charge, wherever it is delivered. NHS Continuing Healthcare support may be provided in a care home or care home with nursing or in a person’s own home.

People eligible for NHS Continuing Healthcare will have been assessed to have a ‘primary health need’ and are likely to have complex medical needs and substantial or intense ongoing care needs. See page 51 for more information.
Personal health budgets

A personal health budget is an amount of money to support a person’s identified health needs. It is planned and agreed between the person and their local NHS team.

The aim is to enable people with long-term conditions and disabilities to have greater choice, flexibility and control over the healthcare and support they receive.

Services for carers

Who is a carer?

Carers regularly look after, help or support someone who wouldn’t be able to manage everyday life without their help.

A carer doesn’t have to be living with the person they care for, and the help they give doesn’t have to be physical. The carer may be caring for a partner, another relative, a friend or a neighbour. For example, it may be someone who:

- is over 60;
- is living with dementia;
- has a physical or learning disability or a mental health condition;
- has sight, hearing or communication difficulties;
- has a long-term health condition; or
- misuses drugs or alcohol.

The carer may be helping with:

- personal care, such as washing and dressing;
- going to the toilet or dealing with incontinence;
- eating or taking medicines;
- getting about at home or outside;
- practical help at home and keeping someone company; or
- emotional support or communicating.

Having a carers’ assessment

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

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

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

The assessment can also give lots of information about other services that might help, and other ideas for support. The carer’s assessment will show if the carer qualifies for support from Adult Social Services.

Visit www.carechoices.co.uk for further assistance with your search for care
Carers’ Personal Budgets

The carers’ Personal Budget is a single payment that can be used towards the cost of something specific that will support carers 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 Adult Social Services considers a 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 a carer could get depends on their needs identified by their carer’s assessment. The money is not taxed, and it will not affect any benefits.

Respite at home

Home-based respite services give carers a break from their caring responsibilities. A care worker can come in to look after the person being cared for, so the 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 they have a Personal Budget for their own needs (see page 13) they could use that money to pay for it.

A financial assessment of the person being cared for will confirm whether they need to pay towards the cost of this service.

Benefits

Carers may want to explore whether they are entitled to Carer’s Allowance – currently £66.15 per week but this may change over the lifetime of this Directory. Carers may also qualify for Carer’s Premium or Carer’s Credit depending on their eligibility. The Government’s website, www.gov.uk has more information on benefits, including carers’ benefits. Alternatively, contact a local carers’ organisation which may be able to help undertake a benefit check.

You can find out more about what organisations support carers in Hertfordshire by visiting www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/directory and searching ‘carers’.

Carers in Hertfordshire

Aims to help carers take better care of themselves through breaks, leisure and learning opportunities and by ensuring they focus on their own health and wellbeing. It gives support and information to unpaid family and friends who look after someone. It provides the space for carers to discuss practical and emotional concerns around caring and opportunities to share experiences with others. * Tel: 01992 586969
Email: contact@carersinherts.org.uk
Web: www.carersinherts.org.uk

Crossroads Care

Aims to improve the lives of carers by giving them a break from their caring responsibilities and providing a reliable, tailored service for each carer and the person they care for.

Crossroads Care Hertfordshire North
Tel: 01462 455578
Web: www.crossroadshn.org.uk

Crossroads Care Hertfordshire South
Tel: 0208 905 1158
Web: www.hertfordshirecrossroads-south.org.uk

Resource for those supporting disabled children

My Family, Our Needs is an online resource providing impartial information for parents, carers and practitioners supporting children from birth to 25 years with additional needs.

As well as guidance, policy and signposting, there is a lifestyle section for parents covering topics such as health and wellbeing, work, family and relationships.

Visit www.myfamilyourneeds.co.uk
Care in your own home

Carefully chosen home care with a good quality provider is an excellent way to retain your freedom and independence, whilst getting the help you need to stay happy and safe. It can offer the opportunity to stay at home, in your own familiar surroundings, and to retain a quality of life you might have feared lost.

Why choose home care?

Reasons for choosing home care can vary. Sometimes after a stay in hospital, someone might find they need some help whilst they recuperate. Others can find that a long-term condition or disability means they can no longer cope, 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 and your family will be fully involved in looking at what will suit you best 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 Adult Social Services 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.

A list of all home care agencies operating in Hertfordshire starts on page 25.

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 Directory, 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 55), indicating the quality of care provided.

You can also view an electronic version of this Directory on the site and have it read to you by using the ‘Recite Me’ function. Visit www.carechoices.co.uk

The Care Quality Commission (www.cqc.org.uk) is responsible for checking that any care provided meets essential standards of quality and safety. Further information is on page 55.

The United Kingdom Homecare Association (UKHCA) requires its members to comply with a code of practice. This code includes a commitment to treat customers with dignity and respect and operate at a level above the legal minimum required in legislation.

Social care regulations do not apply to cleaners, handymen or gardeners. However, some home care agencies are increasingly providing staff who can help meet these needs too.
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- Medication
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- Sleep-in services
- Cooking

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We ensure that the same Warm Care Worker is able to provide care and support to you so that they can build up a caring relationship and provide continuity.

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- Participating in your hobbies or social activities
- Shopping
- Prescription collection
- Housekeeping
- Laundry
- Making beds
- Plant care

### Live-In Care
Live-in care is when our Care Warm Worker lives in your home to assist you with your needs. This means they are available to help you throughout the day and at night, if necessary.

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E: info@warmcaresupport.co.uk | www.warmcaresupport.co.uk

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The benefits of using a regulated agency include:

• assessing your care needs and tailoring a plan to meet those needs;
• advertising, interviewing and screening suitability of workers;
• arranging necessary insurance cover;
• providing training and development for care workers;
• managing workers’ pay, including compliance with the National Minimum Wage;
• managing employment relationships, including sickness, absence and disciplinary matters; and
• managing health and safety issues.

Living with dementia at home

If you are concerned about persistent forgetfulness or memory difficulties, 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, Adult Social Services and voluntary agencies. Some examples of services and support to help people living with dementia include:

• specialist day centres;
• respite care or short breaks;
• assistive technology and community alarms;
• home care;
• meals at home;
• community equipment;
• extra care sheltered housing; and
• 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 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; and
• appropriate activities and stimulation to help them to remain alert and motivated for as long as possible.
Dementia Friends

People with dementia sometimes need a helping hand to go about their daily lives and feel included in their local community. Dementia Friends is giving people an understanding of dementia and the small things they can do that can make a difference to people living with dementia – from helping someone find the right bus to spreading the word about dementia. See www.dementiafriends.org.uk for further information about dementia and how you can become a Dementia Friend.

Respite care

Spouses, partners and relatives who care for a person 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 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 13 for information on assessments.

Care at home

It can often be best for a person with dementia to stay living in their own home for as long as possible. This may mean that they require some support services at home. The person living with dementia will respond best to 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 centres

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

Activities may include outings, entertainment, personal care, meals, hairdressing and support for carers.

Attendance at day centres can be offered from just a few hours a week to a number of days. Contact the council or your local Alzheimer’s Society office for more details, see ‘Useful local contacts’ on page 82.

Specialist day centres for people with dementia should be organised and run with their needs in mind, aiming to build on their strengths and abilities.

Alzheimer’s Society

This leading 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 82 for contact details.

Alzheimer’s Society’s National Dementia Helpline is available on 0300 222 1122 and can provide information, support, guidance and signposting to other appropriate organisations. The helpline is open Monday to Wednesday, 9.00am to 8.00pm; Thursday to Friday, 9.00am to 5.00pm; and Saturday to Sunday, 10.00am to 4.00pm.

For more information on care homes for people with dementia, see page 49.
Paying for care in your home

Councils provide upfront information on how much people can expect to pay for home care and how charges are worked out. This information must be made available when a needs assessment is carried out. Written confirmation of how the charge has been calculated must be provided after a financial assessment.

If you have more than £23,250 in savings or capital, you will have to pay the full cost of your care. The value of your home is not counted when working out charges for non-residential care. If you have more than £23,250, you should tell Adult Social Services when your savings are likely to fall below this amount.

The council calculates charges in accordance with national eligibility criteria set by the Government. This ensures people are only required to pay what they can afford, taking into account capital, income and expenditure.

Your assessment looks at how much money you have coming in, gives an allowance (set by the Government) for everyday living expenses and makes allowance for disability-related expenditure. This is the extra amount you spend as a result of your disability or illness. Adult Social Services can help you to identify these costs. They will also carry out a full benefit check and, if you want them to, assist you with claiming your full entitlement.

Figures mentioned here may change over the lifetime of this Directory.

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.

If you need care or support you may be eligible to claim Attendance Allowance (AA), or Personal Independence Payments (PIP). AA and PIP are non-means-tested benefits. Provided you are eligible, you can receive AA or PIP regardless of how much income or capital you have. AA is payable to people over the age of 65 and PIP to those aged 16 to 64.

There are different rates that can be awarded, dependent on the level and type of help you need. These can be found at www.gov.uk

Other ways to fund your care and support

It is important to seek independent financial advice if you are paying for your own care and support. There are independent financial advisers that focus specifically on care funding advice, often referred to as specialist care fees advisers. They are regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) and must stick to a code of conduct and ethics and take shared responsibility for the suitability of any product they recommend.

The Money Advice Service
A free and impartial money advice service set up by the Government.
Tel: 0800 138 7777
Web: www.moneyadviceservice.org.uk

The Society of Later Life Advisers (SOLLA)
Aims to assist consumers and their families in finding trusted, accredited financial advisers who understand financial needs in later life.
Web: www.societyoflaterlifeadvisers.co.uk

Further information on paying for care can be found beginning on page 50.
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We suggest that you have paper with you when speaking with home care agencies so you can make notes. You can download and print this checklist at [www.carechoices.co.uk/checklists](http://www.carechoices.co.uk/checklists)

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### About the agency

- **How long has the agency been operating?**
- **How long are staff allocated per visit?**
- **Can you contact the agency in an emergency or outside office hours?**
- **Does the agency have experience with your specific needs?**

#### Staff

- **Are you likely to be visited by different staff each day?**
- **Are all staff checked with the Disclosure and Barring Service?**
- **Will you be notified in advance if your care worker is on holiday or sick?**
- **Are staff matched to you specifically, based on your needs and preferences?**
- **Can you meet your care worker(s) before they start?**
- **Does the agency have both male and female staff?**

### Accommodating your needs

- **Can the agency accommodate your needs if they increase? Ask about the process for this.**
- **Does the agency have a training scheme in place?**
- **Are all staff trained to a certain level?**
- **Are staff able to help with administering medication if required?**
- **Is there a way for staff to communicate with each other about the support they provide when they visit you? How?**

### Regulation

- **Will your support plan be reviewed at regular intervals?**
- **Can you see the agency’s contract terms?**
- **Can you lodge a complaint easily?**
- **Are complaints dealt with quickly?**
- **Can you see a copy of the agency’s CQC registration certificate and quality rating?**

### Notes

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*See page 55.

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AC Homecare §
Welwyn Garden City
Tel: 01707 290504

Accedo Care Head Office §
Waltham Cross
Tel: 07590 860442

AccuroCare Home Care Services (West Herts) §
Watford
Tel: 01923 350369

Ace Community Care Ltd §
Hitchin
Tel: 01462 429755

Action for Children Herts Domiciliary Care
Watford
Tel: 01923 361500

Adico Care §
Hoddesdon
Tel: 01992 469540

Adjoy Healthcare Ltd
– Stirling Business Park Britannia Road
Waltham Cross
Tel: 0333 567 0901

AevaCare §
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Hatfield
Tel: 01582 218222

Alina Homecare Hemel Hempstead §
Hemel Hempstead
Tel: 01442 793222

Alina Homecare Specialist Care – Hertfordshire
Hatfield
Tel: 01707 443933

Alina Homecare Stevenage Ltd §
Stevenage
Tel: 01438 722663

Alpha-B Healthcare
Potters Bar
Tel: 01707 828636

Ambito Community Services Cambridgeshire
Royston
Tel: 01763 241150

Ambito Community Services Hertfordshire
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Tel: 01438 315191

Anchusa Care §
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Tel: 01462 338343

Archers Court
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Tel: 01462 423852

Axela Care Ltd
Watford
Tel: 01923 618056

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Baldock
Tel: 01462 491951

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Hoddesdon
Tel: 07506 296518

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#### Gombards
Welwyn Garden City  
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Watford
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Tel: 01923 855856

**Unique Herts Care**  
Advert below right  
Knebworth  
Tel: 01438 814470

**Vine Medicare Borehamwood**  
Borehamwood  
Tel: 0203 538 7134

**Vow Care Services Ltd**  
Hemel Hempstead  
Tel: 01442 462249

**Warm Care Support**  
Elstree  
Tel: 0203 894 4984

**Whiteants Ltd (Cherish Care)**  
Hatfield  
Tel: 01707 226051

**Wilnash Care Ltd**  
Potters Bar  
Tel: 01707 830037

**Winside Care**  
Borehamwood  
Tel: 020 8447 5687

**YESUK Office**  
Watford  
Tel: 01923 443923

**Your Care Your Way (Support Services) Ltd**  
Welwyn Garden City  
Tel: 01707 909058

**Your Life (Borehamwood)**  
Borehamwood  
Tel: 020 8207 7058

**Your Life (Hertford)**  
Hertford  
Tel: 01992 509379

**Your Life (Hitchin)**  
Hitchin  
Tel: 01823 544815

**Your Life (Potters Bar)**  
Potters Bar  
Tel: 01707 651974

**Your Life (Royston)**  
Royston  
Tel: 01763 256810

**Your Life (Welwyn Garden City)**  
Welwyn Garden City  
Tel: 01707 328220

**Your Life (St Albans)**  
St Albans  
Tel: 01202 362303

**Zinnia Care Ltd**  
Hemel Hempstead  
Tel: 01442 234780

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**Service User Bands**  
**OP** Older people (65+)  
**D** Dementia  
**PD** Physical disability  
**LDA** Learning disability, autism  
**MH** Mental health  
**SI** Sensory impairment  
**YA** Younger adults  
**AD** People who misuse alcohol or drugs

**Hertfordshire Care Providers Association Member – see page 5**

Visit [www.carechoices.co.uk](http://www.carechoices.co.uk) for further assistance with your search for care
Housing with care

Housing with care combines independent living in a home with security of tenure, along with care services arranged according to need. Schemes may be run by housing associations, the local authority, voluntary organisations or private companies. Properties may be available for rent, mixed tenure or to purchase.

Supported Living

Supported Living is a term generally used to describe situations in which people (often disabled adults) rent their home, and their personal care or support is arranged separately. This means they can change their support without having to move or move and take the same support with them. People have greater security of tenure and can claim a wider range of welfare benefits than 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 will be tailored to individual need 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 assistive technology (discussed on page 11).

For further information, speak to Adult Social Services on 0300 123 4042.

Shared Lives

Shared Lives is a care service for adults with learning or 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.

Sheltered housing

Sheltered (or retirement) housing is provided by local authority housing departments and housing associations for older people who would like to remain independent but prefer the added security and reassurance of a scheme manager and an alarm call service.

A scheme manager 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.

You can find sheltered housing near you by visiting www.hertfordshire.gov.uk and searching ‘sheltered housing’.

Search for care at www.carechoices.co.uk to find support in your area
Flexicare housing

Flexicare housing is Hertfordshire’s version of extra care – schemes where people rent their own flat but have access to care and support as and when they need it, 24 hours a day. Flexicare housing is a positive choice for many people because it meets a wide range of needs and provides a good alternative to residential care.

As care is available 24 hours a day, Flexicare housing can offer reassurance for family carers and tenants – even if you don’t need regular care it can be helpful to know that someone is there if you fall or feel ill or unsafe. The level of care and support provided can be changed if your needs change, for example, if you need some extra support after a hospital stay. Flexicare housing is also ideal for couples who have different care needs.

Flexicare housing may suit you if you:

• are finding it hard to cope in your existing accommodation;
• are already receiving home care services; or
• have few care needs now but want to prepare for the future.

For further details about Flexicare housing, call Adult Social Services on 0300 123 4042 or visit www.hertfordshire.gov.uk

Flexicare housing schemes in Hertfordshire

Broxbourne Borough
Emmanuel Lodge, Cheshunt
Wormley Court, Broxbourne

Dacorum
Evelyn Sharp House, Hemel Hempstead

East Hertfordshire
Bircherley Court, Hertford
Calton Court, Hertford
Parkside, Bishop’s Stortford

Hertsmere
Barley Close, Bushey
Collins Court, Bushey
Fountain Court, Borehamwood
Storey Court, Bushey

North Hertfordshire
Anderson House, Hitchin
Mary Barfield House, Royston
Robert Humbert House, Letchworth
Tabor Court, Letchworth
Temple Court, Baldock
Peter Sell House, Hitchin

St Albans City and District
Eywood House, St Albans
Parkside View, St Albans

Stevenage Borough
Silkin Court, Stevenage
Fred Millard Court, Stevenage

Watford Borough
Dale Court, Watford
Lincoln Court, Watford
Rutland Lodge, Watford

Welwyn and Hatfield
Chilton Green, Welwyn Garden City
Swan Field Court, Welwyn Garden City
Woodside House, Welwyn Garden City

Specialist services

Learning disability

If you are living with a learning disability in Hertfordshire, you should contact your local council for support. They might be able to signpost you to local services and assess your needs in case they can help you to a greater extent. The council aims to keep people living independently in their own homes wherever possible.
possible, but if you need to move somewhere with care and support, you might like to consider a housing with care scheme, see page 38.

If your needs are such that you require support in a care home, this Directory contains a list of all care homes in Hertfordshire. Any learning disability providers are denoted with LDA.

You may also find the organisations listed here useful.

Guideposts HERE
Listens to and supports adults with learning difficulties to access their own community activities and lead fuller, more independent lives.
Tel: 0300 222 5709
Email: hereinfo@guideposts.org.uk
Web: www.guideposts.org.uk

Mencap
Supporting 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

Scope
Offers free, impartial and expert information, advice and support to disabled people and their families.
Tel: 0808 800 3333
Email: helpline@scope.org.uk
Web: www.scope.org.uk

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 in Hertfordshire to support you.

Your GP should be your first point of contact if you want confidential advice or services, or you can contact one of the organisations listed here for free help and support.

Hertfordshire Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust
Supports people with mental ill health, physical ill health and learning disabilities across Hertfordshire.
Web: www.jpft.nhs.uk

Out-of-hours mental health helpline
For out-of-hours advice and telephone support from a mental health professional, please call the Hertfordshire Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust helpline on 01438 843322.

This service operates through the night from 7.00pm until 8.00am on weekdays, and around the clock at weekends and on Bank Holidays.

The service is also available to its users and their carers for advice and support outside office hours.

Guideposts – Henry Smith House
Clients at Guideposts’ mental health services have link workers who work with people on a one-to-one basis, providing the support and encouragement that they may need to fulfil their goals and achievements.
Tel: 01923 223554
Email: hsh@guideposts.org.uk

Herts Mind Network
Provides a diverse range of recovery-orientated services and works with adults from the age of 18.
Infoline: 0203 727 3600
Email: info@hertfordshiremind.org
Web: www.hertfordshiremind.org
Physical disability

If you have a physical disability or a long-term illness, Adult Social Services and other organisations in the independent and not-for-profit sectors may be able to signpost you to, or provide you with, a range of services to help you live as independently as possible. There are also services available to support someone who may be your carer.

Sensory services

Hertfordshire’s Sensory Services team works with children and adults who are:

- blind or visually impaired;
- deaf or hard of hearing;
- deafblind; and
- carers of people with sight or hearing loss.

The team offer various services depending on your eligibility following an assessment of your needs.

Visit www.hertfordshire.gov.uk and search ‘sensory services’.

Advocacy

Advocates can give advice, support and information to people of any age. They help you to voice your concerns and guide you through difficult or challenging times. You should consider using the services of an advocate if you feel unsure or concerned when you are faced with making an important decision about your care.

Advocates are not there to tell you what to do or to make decisions for you, but to help you express your views and make your own decisions. Councils have a legal obligation to provide an advocate to you if you need one at any stage of your care and support planning with them.

People First

Promotes the rights of people with a learning disability and is there to listen to and support people while it does this.

Planning for end of life

Although the subject of dying is often painful to contemplate, 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.

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 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.

It is also important to know that all health and social care staff must be trained in communication regarding end of life care and will be trained in assessing the needs of individuals and carers.

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. They may appreciate knowing your wishes and that 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 in ‘My Funeral Wishes’, a form produced by Dying Matters and the National Association of Funeral Directors. Visit [www.dyingmatters.org/page/my-funeral-wishes](http://www.dyingmatters.org/page/my-funeral-wishes)

You do not have to instruct a funeral director, but if you do, ensure that 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 that members must adhere to.

See page 84 for details of organisations that may be able to help you plan for the end of your life or your funeral.

Tell us what you think

What have you found useful?

What could we do better?

Share your feedback

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[www.carechoices.co.uk/reader-survey](http://www.carechoices.co.uk/reader-survey)
Care homes

All care homes and agencies providing care at home in England must be registered with the independent regulator, the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

The CQC inspects every care home and home care agency, publishing a report along with a rating. CQC quality ratings must be displayed at the operator’s premises and on its website. You can also find inspection reports and ratings for all services on the CQC’s website (www.cqc.org.uk).

Types of care home

Care homes (personal care only)
If you need someone to look after you 24 hours a day, but don’t need nursing care, a care home offering only personal care may be the best option.

Personal care includes bathing, feeding, dressing and help with moving. It is a good idea to have a needs assessment before you choose a care home to ensure it is the best way to meet your needs, see page 13 for more on assessments.

Care homes with nursing
A care home with nursing provides the same care and support as a care home offering personal care, but with 24-hour nursing staff on hand. If you think you may need nursing care in a home, you will need to be visited by a social worker or a care manager to work out what care you will need. This visit might be in your own home, or in hospital if you’ve been ill, or in a care home. You will be fully involved in planning for your care needs. If, after a needs assessment, a care home providing nursing care is the best solution for you, a social worker will give you information to help you find a home which meets your care requirements.

The cost of the nursing care part of your fees may be paid by the NHS to the home directly: the current amount is £165.56 per week. This figure may change over the lifetime of this Directory, check with Adult Social Services.

For help with finding care homes and care homes with nursing in your area, visit www.carechoices.co.uk

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Activities in care homes

The word ‘activity’ can imply many different things but, in the context of a care home, it should mean everything a resident does from when they open their eyes in the morning until they go to sleep at night. Activities should stimulate residents emotionally, physically and mentally and, in a good care home, should encompass all aspects of daily life. They can range from choosing what to wear, to helping with tasks around the home or garden, to listening to the radio or joining in with an art or exercise class.

Above all, activities provide a point of interest, fun and challenge to each day. They should enable people to participate in daily life, be engaged and maintain hobbies or activities they have enjoyed throughout their life, as well as offering the opportunity to try something new, if they wish.

Lots of care homes now employ a dedicated activity co-ordinator. What they do and how they do it varies from one home to another. Increasingly, they are fully integrated into the staff team, play a key part in developing care plans and ensure that all staff appreciate the part they play in delivering high-quality activity provision.

Ensure you speak to any potential providers about the activities they provide in their care home.

Search for care in your area

www.carechoices.co.uk

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
20 Hertfordshire Care Providers Association (HCPA) top tips for finding a good residential care provider

Why should I look for a care provider with a fully trained workforce?

To provide the best care, staff need to be knowledgeable, competent and confident. They also need to know how to use the training they are regularly receiving in practical situations. Your family member or loved one deserves to be treated with dignity and respect at all times and the care that they receive should focus particularly on their wellbeing, including preventative measures around health-related issues.

How do I find this out?

1. Ask a manager about their staff training programme.
2. Ask to see staff training evidenced in such things as accolades (this may include having Complex Care Champions and this should be clearly visible to the public via a display board at reception).
3. Watch for staff interaction with residents as you walk around the home.
4. Ask other residents how good the staff are.
5. Ask to see the activities programme, note the day and time of your visit and see if the scheduled activity is actually happening.
6. Be on the lookout for compassion. Do staff look as if they really care?
7. Be alert to dignity issues: for example, are people covered up?
8. Do the residents look clean and tidy?
9. Ask to see menus and find out what nutritional training the staff receive. Are they flexible?
10. Ask about falls prevention measures.
11. Talk to staff and ask them how they provide ‘person-centred care’, do they ask you questions about the proposed resident’s history, likes and dislikes.
12. Ask if there will be a life-story book made so that staff can get to know the resident.
13. Find out how many staff are on duty at any one time and look for evidence of this.
14. Ask about night staff specifically. Find out how often agency are used (non-regular staff).
15. Ask a manager how long they have been in post, what the history of management is and the culture they expect from staff, and check if it reflects the care you see.
16. Does the place look safe? Are there clear walkways and do staff clear them?
17. Do the staff involve residents in normal day-to-day activities such as laying the table?
18. Ask the staff how they manage difficult behaviours.
19. Chat to staff about the particular conditions of your loved one to check their knowledge.
20. And most importantly: do the current residents look happy, engaged and comfortable?

Please note, when searching for a good home care provider, you will want to use some of the aforementioned plus the following:

1. Will the staff team be regular (same people each time)?
2. What is the process if you are unhappy with a particular staff member?
3. How will you be informed if a staff member is going to be late?
4. How will next of kin be involved in the care?
5. How are staff kept informed of any changes in the individual’s health and wellbeing?

For any further information or questions, please contact HCPA on 01707 536020 or email contact@hcpa.info
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www.quantumcare.co.uk

Residential  |  Specialist Dementia  |  Respite Stays  |  Palliative Care  |  Day Care
Care homes checklist

We suggest that you take paper with you when visiting care homes so that you can make notes. You can download and print this checklist at www.carechoices.co.uk/checklists

Staff

What is the minimum number of staff that are available at any time? □ □ □
Are staff respectful, friendly and polite? □ □ □
Do staff have formal training? □ □ □
Are the staff engaging with residents? □ □ □

Activities

Can you get involved in activities you enjoy? □ □ □
Is there an activities co-ordinator? □ □ □
Does the home organise any outings? □ □ □
Are residents escorted to appointments? □ □ □
Do the residents seem entertained? □ □ □
Does the home have a varied activities schedule? □ □ □

Life in the home

Is the home adapted to suit your needs? □ □ □
Can you bring your own furniture? □ □ □
Are there enough plug sockets in the rooms? □ □ □
Are there restrictions on going out? □ □ □
Is there public transport nearby? □ □ □
Does the home provide any transport? □ □ □
Can you make/receive calls privately? □ □ □
Can you decide when to get up and go to bed? □ □ □
Does the home allow pets? □ □ □
Does the home use Digital Care Planning accessible to families? □ □ □

Personal preferences

Is the home too hot/cold? Can you control the heating in your room? □ □ □
Is the décor to your tastes? □ □ □
Are there restricted visiting hours? □ □ □
Is there somewhere you can go to be alone? □ □ □
Does the home feel welcoming? □ □ □

Catering

Can the home cater for any dietary requirements you may have? □ □ □
Does the menu change regularly? □ □ □
Can you eat when you like, even at night? □ □ □
Can you have food in your room? □ □ □
Is there a choice of food at mealtimes? □ □ □
Is alcohol available/allowed if you want it? □ □ □
Can visitors join you for meals? □ □ □

Fees

Do your fees cover all of the services and activities? □ □ □
Are fees likely to change regularly? □ □ □
Is the notice period for cancellation of the contract reasonable? □ □ □
Could you have a trial period? □ □ □
Can you keep your room if you go into hospital? □ □ □
Can you handle your own money? □ □ □

*See page 55.
## Residential dementia care checklist

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<td>Are the home and grounds secure?</td>
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<td>Are there prompts outside the residents’ rooms to help people identify their own?</td>
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<td>Is the décor familiar to your loved one?</td>
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<td>Are residents encouraged to be independent?</td>
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<td>Can residents decide what to do each day?</td>
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<td>Can residents have a say in the décor of their room?</td>
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### Activities

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<td>Are residents able to join in with household tasks like folding washing?</td>
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<td>Are there activities on each day?</td>
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<td>Can residents walk around outside on their own?</td>
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<td>Are residents sitting in front of the TV or are they active and engaged?</td>
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<td>Can residents get help with eating and drinking?</td>
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<td>How often does the home review residents’ medication?</td>
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<td>Does the home offer help if a resident needs assistance taking medication?</td>
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<td>Do GPs visit the home regularly?</td>
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<td>Are staff trained to identify when a resident might be unwell?</td>
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<td>Are staff trained to spot when someone needs to go to the toilet?</td>
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<td>Do the staff have any dementia specific training/experience?</td>
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<td>Will your loved one have a member of staff specifically responsible for their care?</td>
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### Approach to care

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<td>Does the home follow a specific approach to dementia therapy, for example, validation therapy?</td>
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<td>Will the home keep you informed about changes to your loved one’s care?</td>
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<td>Does the home have a specific approach to end of life care?</td>
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<td>Does the home keep up to date with best practice in dementia care?</td>
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Care homes and dementia

A good care home will follow the concept of a person-centred approach to care for people 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 with dementia will have an assessment and an ongoing personalised care plan, agreed across health and social care. This should identify a named care co-ordinator and addresses their individual needs.

They must also have 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 of Care. For more information on the last two topics, see pages 54 and 42 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. Do they provide an environment that enables a person 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 48.

Design and technology

The design of a care home specialising in dementia needs to 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 that care home staff understand how best to support and care for people with dementia. Ask to speak with the Dementia Champion and question the placement if the home does not have a specific Dementia Lead.

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## Paying for care

When a local authority provides or arranges your care services, you may be asked to contribute towards the cost of care at home or in a care home, depending on your personal circumstances.

### Financial assessment

To determine whether or not you will need to contribute towards the cost of your support, the council will conduct a financial assessment. This will look at your capital, savings and income. Most people are likely to have to contribute something towards the cost of their care. The value of your home is included as part of your capital in this assessment if you are moving into residential care, except in limited circumstances. It is not included if you are receiving care in your own home.

If you choose not to have a financial assessment, you will be responsible for paying the full cost of your care and support.

If you have capital and savings of less than £14,250, you may be asked to contribute part of your income and the local authority may meet the shortfall.

If you have capital and savings between £14,250 and £23,250, you are likely to have to contribute towards the cost of your care. You may need to contribute part of your income, and a sliding scale operates whereby you contribute £1 for each £250 you have in capital and savings above the lower figure.

If your capital and savings amount to more than £23,250, you will likely have to pay the full cost of your care yourself. However, you are still entitled to an assessment of your needs by the council and you may be able to get some support with funding your care, see page 51.

These figures may change during the lifetime of this Directory.

If you are eligible for support from the council and you are moving into a care home or care home with nursing, you will be given a choice of homes that charge the amount the council would usually pay for someone with your needs. If the home you choose charges a fee in excess of the local authority’s funding limit, you will need to find someone else to meet the additional amount. This is often referred to as a ‘third party payment’ or ‘top-up’ (explained further on page 52).
Running out of money

If your capital and savings are likely to reduce to £23,250 through payment of care home fees, you must let the council know well in advance. It must undertake an assessment of your circumstances before deciding if it will make a contribution.

If you become eligible for the council’s support with funding your care, and the home you are living in charges more than the council’s fee levels, you must find someone to help pay the difference. This is known as a ‘top-up’ or ‘third party payment’, see page 52 for more information. If funds for a top-up are not available, you will need to find accommodation which can meet your needs at the local authority fee level.

Understanding your rights before moving into care is essential. There are a number of financial products and specialist companies that may be able to help. It is important to seek independent financial and legal advice before committing yourself to anything. See page 52 for more information.

Non-means-tested support

Some support may be available to you without the council needing to look into your finances.

Benefits
Attendance Allowance and Personal Independence Payments are non-means-tested, non-taxable benefits from the Department for Work and Pensions. There are different rates depending on the level of your needs. Everyone who needs care should consider claiming these benefits, however, they will not be paid if you are, or become, a permanent resident in a care home.

If you are entitled to the mobility component of Personal Independence Payment, this payment will not stop once you are in a care home and is not included in your financial assessment.

You may also want to consider applying for Universal Credit (if you are under pension age) or Pension Credit (if you are over pension age).

NHS Continuing Healthcare
NHS Continuing Healthcare is fully-funded care and support, provided and paid for by the NHS. To be eligible, your needs must be primarily health-related and are likely to be severe. If you are eligible for NHS Continuing Healthcare, you can receive the services in any setting, including your own home or in a care home. The NHS will pay if you need healthcare from a community nurse or a therapist as well as personal care to help you at home.

Self-funding your care

Paying for care can be an expensive and long-term commitment, so the council strongly recommends that you seek specialist information and advice before entering into any arrangements. It is important that you seek specialist advice from appropriately qualified and regulated financial advisers, see page 52 for suggested contacts.

Twelve-week property disregard
If your former home is included in your financial assessment but your other capital and savings are less than £23,250, and your income is not enough to meet your care home fees, the council may share the cost of the first 12 weeks of permanent care, provided it agrees that care is needed.

Deferred Payment Agreements
After the twelve-week property disregard period, you may be offered a Deferred Payment Agreement. This allows you to delay selling your former home during your lifetime. Any fees paid by the council will be charged against the value of
your home and must be repaid once the house is sold or from your estate.

Interest is payable throughout the period of the loan and there is also a one-off fee to join the scheme which covers all legal and administrative costs for the lifetime of the loan. The council may limit the amount of the loan, depending on the equity in your property.

**NHS Nursing Care Contribution**

Whether you are a temporary or permanent resident, if you live in a care home that provides nursing care, you may be entitled to a non-means-tested Registered Nursing Care Contribution (sometimes referred to as Funded Nursing Care) towards the cost of your nursing care. This is paid directly to the home.

### Third party payments

If you are eligible for the council’s support, you will be offered a choice of homes that meet 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 local authority the difference between its rate and the amount the home charges. This additional payment is called a ‘top-up’ or ‘third party payment’.

You are not allowed to make this additional payment yourself, except in limited circumstances, so the responsibility usually falls to a family member, friend or charity.

Before anyone agrees to pay your top-up, they should be aware that the amount may increase, usually once a year, and they need to be confident that they can sustain the payments for as long as they are required. They will need to sign a contract with the council to confirm that they are able to do this.

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

If you are already resident in a care home, and no top-up was required at the time 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, a top-up should not be charged.

### Seeking financial advice

Planning for your future care and support needs can be complicated and funding care can be expensive. Professional advice may be helpful in enabling you (and your family) to identify the most suitable and cost-effective solution.

Everyone is encouraged to seek unbiased, expert advice from independent financial advisers to help work out how to pay for long-term care. Independent financial advisers are regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) and must take shared responsibility for the suitability of any product they recommend.

Unlike advisers who are tied to particular providers, specialist care fees advisers can offer advice on products from across the whole market.

A list of independent financial advisers who are accredited by the Society of Later Life Advisers can be found at [www.societyoflaterlifeadvisers.co.uk](http://www.societyoflaterlifeadvisers.co.uk) or you can call [0333 202 0454](tel:+443332020454).
There is also a number of organisations that will provide free advice about funding care and support. These are a good place to start if you are looking for information and want to see what sort of options are available.

**Age UK**  
Tel: 0800 055 6112  
Web: [www.ageuk.org.uk/moneymatters](http://www.ageuk.org.uk/moneymatters)

**Citizens Advice**  
Web: [www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk)

**Money Advice Service**  
Tel: 0800 138 7777  
Web: [www.moneyadviceservice.org.uk](http://www.moneyadviceservice.org.uk)

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**Important 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 Directory, 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 55), indicating the quality of care provided.

You can also view an electronic version of this Directory on the site and have it read to you by using the ‘Recite Me’ function. Visit [www.carechoices.co.uk](http://www.carechoices.co.uk)

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**Search for care in your area**

Visit [www.carechoices.co.uk](http://www.carechoices.co.uk) for further assistance with your search for care
How solicitors can help

A solicitor can give you impartial advice about wills, 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 Powers of Attorney (LPAs) allow 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 allows a person of your choice to make decisions on your behalf at a time when you may be unable.

The Court of Protection can issue Orders directing the management of a person’s property and financial affairs if they are incapable of managing their own affairs and should they not have an LPA. The Court procedure is presently very slow, and the fees are quite expensive so preparing an LPA is always advisable, providing you have somebody sufficiently trustworthy to appoint as your attorney.

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. Citizens Advice offers an advice service and can recommend local solicitors.

Helping older and vulnerable clients

Our solicitors can help you with:

- Powers of Attorney
- Court of Protection applications if someone cannot make decisions for themselves
- Advice regarding funding for care fees
- Protection of assets

Please contact our Older and Vulnerable client team

01992 300333
longmores.law
24 Castle Street
Hertford SG14 1HP

Search for care at www.carechoices.co.uk to find support in your area
Comments, compliments and complaints

You should feel able to complain about any aspect of your support which affects your happiness or comfort. This might be anything from the way you are treated by staff to the quality of the food you are served. You should also feel free to make comments and suggestions about possible improvements to your surroundings and the services provided.

Making a complaint should not be made difficult for you and should not affect the standard of care that you receive whether in your own home or in a care home or care home with nursing. Care services are required under national essential standards of quality and safety 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, it makes sense to speak to the manager of the service 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 owners of the service. They have a duty to respond to any complaints made.

Visit www.hertfordshire.gov.uk for information about how to complain about council services.

If you have a complaint about a breach of regulations, contact your local office of the Care Quality Commission (see page 55 for more information about the CQC).

Inspecting and regulating care services

Health and social care services must be registered to show that 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 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.
At St Vincent’s we are proud of our heritage of providing care dating back over 100 years in Eastcote, set in beautiful grounds, quiet and secluded at the top of Haste Hill but accessible by public transport (Bus H13).

If you would like to know more and be a part of our warm, secure and inclusive welcoming community the following will give you more of an idea.

We offer nursing and spiritual support to our residents and we have an excellent reputation for delivering high standards of care. Inspired by the spirit of St Vincent de Paul and the Daughters of Charity our modern purpose-built care home provides:

- 60 high quality, single en-suite rooms
- Spacious lounges, reading and meeting areas
- Personalised care provided by our professionally qualified nurses and dedicated in-house teams
- Tasty home-cooked meals with varied choices prepared by our in-house chefs
- A comprehensive range of engaging activities
- Our own transport to take residents on trips out and hospital appointments
- Our own chapel with daily Mass. (All religions or none are welcome)

Our residents run a ‘Garden Club’ and swept the Board at the Spring and Autumn Eastcote Horticultural Show with many firsts for vegetables, roses and flower arranging and the programme of activities is quite diverse to ensure we are as inclusive as possible.

We are here for your loved ones and you, and our values are part of our daily life here at the Home and include for each other;

**Dignity • Respect • Individuality • Excellence**

Do call us to learn more – we would love to welcome you and share the St Vincent’s way of life over a cup of tea.

Please call or come and talk to Matron Cynthia Kamara about a visit to consider coming to live here permanently or for a short respite stay, we can accommodate any combination.

If you are thinking about joining us as a resident, employee or volunteer, please contact us:

**020 8872 4900 | Cynthia.kamara@svnh.co.uk | www.svnh.co.uk**

St Vincent’s Nursing Home, Wiltshire Lane, Eastcote Pinner, Middlesex, HA5 2EP
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: 03000 616161
Email: enquiries@cqc.org.uk
Web: www.cqc.org.uk
Write to: The Care Quality Commission, Citygate, Gallowgate, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4PA

Out-of-county care

You can choose a care home outside your home county. You may want to be closer to friends, family members or you may want to relocate to another part of the country.

If your care home place is state-funded, speak to the local authority about who is responsible for your care fees, especially if you choose a care home in another region. Any home you choose must be suitable for your assessed needs and comply with the paying authority’s terms and conditions.

You should seek further advice before making your decision.

For help finding care providers in Hertfordshire and other regions, visit www.carechoices.co.uk with details of your requirements.

Protecting vulnerable adults

Vulnerable adults may experience abuse, neglect and worse. A vulnerable adult is a person aged 18 years or over who may be unable to take care of themselves or protect themselves from harm or from being exploited.

What is adult abuse?
Abuse is mistreatment that violates a person’s human and civil rights. The abuse can vary from treating someone with disrespect in a way which significantly affects the person’s quality of life, to causing actual physical suffering.

It can happen anywhere – at home, in a care home or a care home with nursing, a hospital, in the workplace, at a day centre or educational establishment, in supported housing or in the street.

Forms of abuse could be physical, sexual, psychological, emotional or financial. It could also cover the issues of modern slavery, self-neglect and institutional abuse – where the abuse affects more than one person within an organisation and is not addressed by the service’s management.

Who might be causing the abuse?
The person who is responsible for the abuse may be known to the person abused and could be:

• a care worker or volunteer;
• a health worker, social care or other worker;
• a relative, friend or neighbour;
• another resident or service user;
• an occasional visitor or someone who is providing a service; or
• someone who deliberately exploits vulnerable people.

If you think someone is being abused, call Hertfordshire County Council’s Adult Social Services department on 0300 123 4042. Your concerns will be taken seriously and will receive prompt attention, advice and support. The council’s Adult Social Services department is available from Monday to Friday, 8.00am to 8.00pm; and Saturday, 9.00am to 4.00pm. Lines are closed on Sundays and public holidays. An out of hours service is available for emergencies. If immediate action is
needed, dial **999**.

If the abuse is also a crime such as assault, racial harassment, rape or theft you should call the police on **101** to prevent someone else from being abused. If the police are involved Adult Social Services may work with them and with you to provide support.

If you are worried about contacting the police you can contact Adult Social Services on **0300 123 4042** to talk things over first. Again, if immediate action is needed, dial **999**.

You can also:

- contact the Care Quality Commission (CQC) on **03000 616161** if the vulnerable adult is living in a registered care home, care home with nursing or receiving home care services; or
- let a public service professional, such as a social worker, community nurse, GP, probation officer or district nurse know your concerns. They have responsibilities under the county’s adult protection procedure and can advise you about what to do next.

**The Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS)**

There is a barring system for all those intending to work or currently working with children and vulnerable adults.

This service combines the criminal records checking and barring functions. For disclosure information and services, visit [www.gov.uk/dbs](http://www.gov.uk/dbs)

Care home owners, home care agencies and employment agencies that supply care workers are required to request checks as part of a range of pre-employment checks, including disclosures from the DBS.

Care providers and suppliers of care workers are also required to refer workers to the DBS where, in their view, the individual has been guilty of misconduct that harmed or placed at risk of harm, a vulnerable adult. People who know they are confirmed on the list but seek employment in care positions will face criminal charges including possible imprisonment. It is also an offence for an employer or voluntary organisation to knowingly employ a barred person in a regulated activity role.
What does Hertfordshire Care Providers Association’s ‘Membership Plus’ mean?

Hertfordshire Care Providers Association (HCPA) helps care providers to reach high standards of quality. HCPA’s ‘Membership Plus’ shows how much members engage with the work of HCPA. This new membership model has the bonus of allowing people to see if care providers are Bronze, Silver or Gold status – this tells you exactly how much the provider engages: keeping up-to-date through meetings and bulletins (Bronze); learning tailored leadership skills (Silver); and engaging an impartial quality assurance (Gold).

You will notice throughout this publication that some members have the HCPA logo beside their name, these are the care providers who engage with HCPA around quality. Care providers are often moving up the ‘Membership Plus’ system, so when you visit/make contact with a provider, you can ask them what engagement level they are at.
Search for care in your area

www.carechoices.co.uk

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

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Tel: 01992 434310

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11 St Catherine’s Road, Broxbourne EN10 7LG
Tel: 01992 445044

Lammasmead
61 Lammasmead, Wormley, Broxbourne EN10 6PF
Tel: 01992 421020

Life Opportunities Trust – 15 Rosevale
Hoddesdon EN11 8NR
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College Road, Cheshunt EN8 9LT
Tel: 01992 633694

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Tel: 01442 217621

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24 St Catharines Road, Broxbourne EN10 7LE
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Westmeade
69 Westmeade Close, Cheshunt EN7 6JR
Tel: 01992 629963

Broxbourne care homes with nursing

Kingfisher Nursing Home
Emmanuel Lodge, College Road, Cheshunt EN8 9NQ
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If you are considering a care home with nursing, see the checklist on page 47 for useful suggestions of questions to ask.

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Jupiter Drive, Hemel Hempstead HP2 5NP
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5 Shrublands Road, Berkhamsted HP4 3HY
Tel: 01442 866703

Robin Hood House
Nettleden Road, Little Gaddesden HP4 1PL
Tel: 01442 842759

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Rockliffe Avenue, Kings Langley WD4 8DR
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London Road, Hemel Hempstead HP1 2RJ
Tel: 01442 864484

Highview Lodge
Cherry Orchard, Gadebridge, Hemel Hempstead HP1 3SD
Tel: 01442 239733

St Agnells House
Cupid Green Lane, Hemel Hempstead HP2 7HH
Tel: 01442 215805

Jasmine House
41 Hillfield Road, Hemel Hempstead HP2 4AB
Tel: 01442 253398

St Joseph’s Care Home
Aylesbury Road, Tring HP23 4DH
Tel: 01442 823159

Lime Tree Manor Residential Home
171 Adeyfield Road, Hemel Hempstead HP2 5JU
Tel: 01442 217755

Tewin Road
1 Tewin Road, Leverstock Green, Hemel Hempstead HP2 4NU
Tel: 01442 214796

Lodge Care Home, The
5 Broad Street, Hemel Hempstead HP2 5BW
Tel: 01442 244722

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“Excellent care…I have been a resident for 11 years and do not want to go anywhere else.”

Award-winning care.

To find out more contact our enquiry line on 0800 994 9041, or email enquiries@westgatehc.co.uk

www.westgatehc.co.uk
### Dacorum care homes continued

**Turning Point – Sybden**
Pipers Hill, Great Gaddesden HP1 3BY  
Tel: 01442 269986

**Walsingham Support – 1-2 Ashley Close**
Bennets End, Hemel Hempstead HP3 8EH  
Tel: 01442 219091

**Walsingham Support – 39 Adeyfield Road**
Hemel Hempstead HP2 5DP  
Tel: 01442 251840

**Westbrook House**
Cupid Green Lane, Hemel Hempstead HP2 7GH  
Tel: 01442 264965

### Dacorum care homes with nursing

**Alexandra Care Home**
46 Alexandra Road, Hemel Hempstead HP2 5BP  
Tel: 01442 246775

**Kilfillan House Care Home**
Graemesdyke Road, Berkhamsted HP4 3LZ  
Tel: 01442 819553

**St Pauls Care Centre**
Long Mimms, Hemel Hempstead HP2 5XW  
Tel: 0800 994 9041

**Water Mill House Care Home**
Rose Lane, off Red Lion Lane, Hemel Hempstead HP3 9TE  
Tel: 01442 269888

### East Hertfordshire care homes

**Apton Road**
34 Apton Road, Bishop’s Stortford CM23 2SN  
Tel: 01279 755656

**Ashwood – Ware**
New Road, Ware SG12 7BY  
Tel: 01920 468966

**Beane River View**
1 Beane View, Port Vale, Hertford SG14 3UD  
Tel: 01992 503619

**Belmont View**
Hailey Lane, Hailey, Hertford SG13 7PB  
Tel: 01992 450304

**Chadwick, The**
4-10 Ware Road, Hoddesdon EN11 9DU  
Tel: 01992 441624

**Chaseways**
1 Chaseways, Sawbridgeworth CM21 OAS  
Tel: 01279 414939

**Elmhurst**
Windhill, Bishop’s Stortford CM23 2NF  
Tel: 01279 713100

**HF Trust – 38 South Road**
Bishop’s Stortford CM23 3JJ  
Tel: 01279 461131

**Highfield Care Home**
34-36 Hoe Lane, Ware SG12 9NZ  
Tel: 01920 467508

**Isabel Court**
1-6 Isabel Court, Walton Road, Hoddesdon EN11 0LQ  
Tel: 01992 468562

**Libury Hall**
Great Munden, Ware SG11 1JD  
Tel: 01920 438224

**Riverside Place**
Plaxton Way, Ware SG12 7FB  
Tel: 0808 223 5356

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Peace of mind
We support older people to live happier, healthier and more fulfilling lives. Our team are committed to delivering the best of quality care, but a fundamental part of the ethos of Snowdrop House is helping people to enjoy active and meaningful lifestyles in safe, supportive and comfortable surroundings.

We understand how difficult it can be to make the decision to move into a care home, and we’re here to help and support families in making that transition easier. Our experienced team will be there for you every step of the way, ensuring that you or your loved one receives the warmest welcome and an entirely personalised care plan, tailored to individual needs and wishes.

The best of care in Ware
At Snowdrop House, you’ll find all the comfort of home, dedicated nurses and carers and a family atmosphere from the moment you step inside. Snowdrop House is a beautifully designed, purpose-built care home in Ware, where we provide all round care and support and a range of specially designed facilities that ensure residents can make the most of the every day. Enjoy a pamper in the hair and beauty salon, take a seat in our comfy cinema room, or simply relax with a cup of tea as you catch up with loved ones. What’s more, the variety of activities organised by our lifestyle team will give your loved one the chance to reconnect with old hobbies or find new interests, all while making new friends.

Residents at Snowdrop House care home in Ware enjoy the very best lifestyle, thanks to modern facilities, a wide range of activities and the very best care.

Care services and facilities
✔ Residential care ✔ Nursing care
✔ Dementia care ✔ Respite care
• En-suite bedrooms
• Range of comfortable lounges
• Regular trips out and activities
• Café, hair salon and cinema room

You can find out what residents at Snowdrop House are up to by visiting our Facebook page - simply search Snowdrop House care home.

Follow us on Facebook

We’re passionate about fulfilling residents’ lives
At Snowdrop House, we understand that choosing a care home can be stressful for everyone involved. We offer residential, nursing, respite and dementia care, and all-round support to make things easier.

To find out more about living at Snowdrop House please feel free to give the friendly team a call on 01920 897602 or visit careuk.com/snowdrop-house

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East Hertfordshire care homes

Royal Mencap Society – Church Road
7 Church Road, Hertford SG14 3DP
Tel: 01992 501266

Turning Point – Ambleside
Wengeo Lane, Ware SG12 0EQ
Tel: 01920 460415

Ware Road
49 Ware Road, Hertford SG13 TED
Tel: 0808 808 1111

Willowthorpe Care Home
High Street, Stanstead Abbotts SG12 8AS
Tel: 01920 871811

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East Hertfordshire care homes with nursing

Ashview Nursing Home
Ware Road, Widford SG12 8RQ
Tel: 0800 994 9041

Bentley House
Pegs Lane, Hertford SG13 8EG
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Broad Oak Manor Nursing Home
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<td>Dementia, Physical disability, Younger adults</td>
<td>Tel: 01763 242243</td>
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<td>St Paul’s Walden, Hitchin SG4 8BY</td>
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<td><strong>Wymondley Nursing and Residential Care Home</strong></td>
<td>Stevenage Road, Little Wymondley, Hitchin SG4 7HT</td>
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<td><strong>Beau Sejour Care Services</strong></td>
<td>12-14 Castle Road, St Albans AL1 5DL</td>
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<td>Physical disability, Learning disability, Mental health, Sensory impairment, Younger adults</td>
<td>Tel: 01727 859948</td>
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<td><strong>Birchwood Bungalow</strong></td>
<td>Off How Wood, Park Street, St Albans AL2 2QZ</td>
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<td>Mental health</td>
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<td><strong>Bowmans Lodge</strong></td>
<td>46 Coombes Road, London Colney, St Albans AL2 1ND</td>
<td>LDA</td>
<td>Learning disability, Autism, Younger adults</td>
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- OP Older people (65+)
- D Dementia
- PD Physical disability
- LDA Learning disability, autism

**User Bands**

- MH Mental health
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- YA Younger adults
- AD People who misuse alcohol or drugs

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Bricket Wood Care Ltd
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St Albans AL2 3HH
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Tel: 01727 864379  OP D

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Tel: 01727 753142

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Bricket Wood, St Albans AL2 3YB
Tel: 01753 663011

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St Albans AL4 0DU
Tel: 01727 860805

Leyland House
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Tel: 01727 763707

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Tel: 01727 851050  OP D

Meadow Acres
7 Crabtree Lane, Harpenden AL5 5TA
Tel: 01582 768098  PD LDA

Milehouse Lane
25 Milehouse Lane, St Albans AL1 1TF
Tel: 01727 835413  LDA YA

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Tel: 01727 825820  MH YA AD

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Tel: 01582 715600

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Tel: 01582 792042  OP D

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Tel: 01582 460055  PD LDA YA

Station Road
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St Albans AL4 8BU
Tel: 01582 833957  LDA

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Tel: 01727 856864  OP D PD

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Tel: 01727 850436

Vesta Lodge
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Tel: 01727 799600 Advert page 46

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Kyros House, St Albans AL1 3TU
Tel: 01727 858783

Willow Court
– 2 Upper Lattimore Road
Kyros House, St Albans AL1 3TU
Tel: 01727 858783

Woodside Residential Home
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Tel: 01727 832393  [OP D PD YA]

**Allington Court Care Home**
Lye Lane, Bricket Wood, St Albans AL2 3TN
Tel: 01923 882793  [D]

**Crosby Close**
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Tel: 01727 833142  [LDA]

**Field House Care Home**
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**Fonthill House**
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St Albans care homes

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Tel: 01438 361196  [LDA]

**Sense Jenny Chapman House**
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Tel: 01438 749013  [PD LDA SI]

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Tel: 01438 749301  [LDA MH SI YA]

**Winnett Cottage**
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**LDA**

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**LDA YA**

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Tel: 01923 882379  
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Northwood Nursing Home
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Tel: 01923 618555  OP D

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Tel: 01923 213789 OP D PD SI YA

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Tel: 01923 804337 OP D

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Tel: 01923 219167 OP LDA MH YA

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Tel: 01923 234780 OP D

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Watford WD25 7AJ
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Web: www.aco.uk.net

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Web: www.carers.org

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Web: www.carersuk.org

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