

Connect to Support Hampshire Care Guide 2023/24

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Residents in the Hampshire County Council area can pick up an additional copy of this Guide from their local library. Portsmouth residents (PO1-PO6) can request a copy by contacting the **Adult Social Care Help Desk** on **023 9268 0810**. Southampton residents can request a copy by calling **023 8083 3003** or by emailing **adultsocialcareconnect@southampton.gov.uk**

Introduction

Welcome to this edition of the Connect to Support Hampshire Care Guide, published in collaboration with Hampshire County Council, which contains information for adults looking for care or support within the county, whether they are paying for it themselves or receiving support from their local council.

Staying as independent as possible is important to everybody. If you have care and support needs or would like information to help you maintain your independence and wellbeing, this Guide contains a wealth of information to help you. You can also visit the Connect to Support Hampshire website which has an extensive Community Directory of local activities and services as well as national charities and helplines. You will also find a Marketplace Directory of local care homes, home care agencies and other services to help you manage your care and to stay well.

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 37 and a list of local home care providers begins on page 51. If you are unable to remain at home, you may want to consider a housing with care scheme (see the information beginning on pages 101 and 102) or residential care. Comprehensive lists of care homes and care homes with nursing in Hampshire, Portsmouth and Southampton start on page 124. 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.

If your care needs are urgent or ongoing, you may wish to contact your local authority's adult social care department for an assessment of your needs. Support can only be provided to those with eligible care needs, and you will have a financial assessment to see how much you will need to contribute towards the cost of any care.

A range of options will be explored to support you. This could include what you can do for yourself, help from family and friends, access to community facilities or support from voluntary services. Your local authority might also suggest equipment or adaptations to your home. Formal services, such as care at home or residential care, will only be provided if other options do not meet your eligible needs.

Finding care in your area

Looking for care in your area? Want to know the quality rating of providers you're considering? Visit the Connect to Support Hampshire website for the most up-to-date listings of care homes and home care agencies in your area. Visit

www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/marketplace

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 pages 45 and 95), indicating the quality of care provided. You can also view an electronic version of this Guide on the Care Choices website and have it read to you by using the 'Recite Me' function. Visit

www.carechoices.co.uk



Alternative formats

This Guide is available electronically at **www.carechoices.co.uk/** The e-book is also Recite Me compatible for those requiring information in the spoken word.



Health and wellbeing

Get online

Think about what you eat and drink

The internet has many benefits, from increasing your independence to helping with your physical and mental health. It is also a great way of connecting with others, especially if you are unable to go out or if they do not live close to you. But finding your way around can be a little daunting if you are new to it. If you have access to a device, the following websites have some useful information and easy-to-follow guides to help you build your confidence:

- The BBC has produced step-by-step guides on how to video call your family using your phone. Visit www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-51968122
- Age UK has easy-to-follow advice on how to keep in touch using a video call. Visit www.ageuk.org.uk (search 'Video calling'). Age UK also offers advice on how to stay safe online. Visit www.ageuk.org.uk (search 'Staying safe online').
- Digital Unite has guides covering everything you need to know about computers and technology.
 Visit www.digitalunite.com (select 'Free guides').
- Learn My Way has easy-to-follow online tutorials covering everything you need to know – from computer basics and getting online to how to do specific tasks, such as banking, shopping, socialising and looking after your health. Visit www.learnmyway.com/explore-all-subjects
- Money Helper has a beginner's guide to online banking. Visit www.moneyhelper.org.uk (search 'How to stay safe when using online banking').
- Broadband Savvy helps you make sense of broadband terminology and find the best package for you. Visit www.broadbandsavvy.com
- Computers are available to use, free of charge, for all library card holders in Hampshire Libraries. The libraries also offer computer courses and events, including one-to-one sessions for beginners. Call the library service on **0300 555 1387**.
- Portsmouth and Southampton libraries also offer help with computers. Call 023 9268 8057 in Portsmouth or 023 8083 3007 in Southampton.

 AbilityNet is a national charity which helps people of any age and with any disability to use technology to achieve their goals at home, at work and in education. Visit www.abilitynet.org.uk

For more computer help, browse Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory. Visit **www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories** (search 'Computer').

Hampshire Superfast Broadband

If your property is not included in the current superfast broadband programme and you can only access a speed of 2Mbps or less, there is a Government scheme in place to help you access better broadband.

Web: www.hampshiresuperfastbroadband.com/residents/usc

Embrace technology

You may already use email, social media and instant messaging to stay engaged with family and friends. But have you explored technology which can make life easier? If you have invested in Wi-Fi connection, there is a huge range of apps available, to use on smartphones or tablets, which can help you. For example:

- MyTherapy pill reminder and medication tracker combines a pill tracker, mood tracker and a health journal. Visit www.mytherapyapp.com
- Life360 is a free app which lets you create a circle of friends or family. It uses GPS technology so your family can always see where you are (and you can keep track of them). Visit www.life360.com
- BeMyEyes is an app that connects visually impaired users to volunteer helpers who can aid with everyday tasks. Visit www.bemyeyes.com
- Wheelmap lets you mark and find wheelchair-accessible places – worldwide and for free. Visit www.wheelmap.org

→ • The NHS App allows you to search information and advice on hundreds of conditions and treatments. You can also answer questions to get instant advice or medical help near you. Visit www.nhs.uk/nhs-app

You could also use a 'virtual assistant' like Amazon Alexa. You can download the app and use it on your phone or tablet, or even with a separate speaker. You can then ask it questions, get it to set reminders, play your favourite music and much more.

Smart technology can help you improve your home environment in a variety of ways. For example, you could consider investing in wireless thermostats, lighting and security systems that connect to your smartphone through easy-to-use apps. With a few taps on your touch screen, you can check the locks, turn on the lights and adjust the temperature from miles away.

Which?

A guide to smart home devices for your home. Web: **www.which.co.uk** (search 'How to set up a smart home').

Keep fit and prevent falls

Fitness is important at every age, but especially as we get older. As we age, we begin losing muscle strength and become more prone to falls. According to the NHS, around one in three adults over 65 currently has at least one fall a year.

Depending on the severity of the injury, one fall can greatly impact independence. The Hampshire County Council website has more information about preventing falls. Visit **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Falls prevention'). By engaging in regular, low-impact exercise you can reduce muscle loss and stave off disease. Try daily walks, water aerobics, a round of golf or tai chi.

Useful local contacts

Community Directory – Connect to Support Hampshire

Find sports and exercise activities near you. Web: www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories (select 'Choose your category' then 'Community support/activities' and 'Sport/exercise').

Portsmouth Older Persons Strength and Balance Exercise Team (POPSBET) – Solent NHS Trust

A community-based exercise class serving people with a Portsmouth registered GP practice.

Block B, St Mary's Community Campus,

Milton Road, Portsmouth PO3 6AD

Tel: **0300 123 3995**

Web: www.solent.nhs.uk (search 'POPSBET').

Falls Prevention Service – Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust

For Gosport, Southampton and Winchester residents. Speak to your GP for a referral.

Tel: **023 8231 1690** (option two).

Email: specialistfallsteam@southernhealth.nhs.uk Web: www.southernhealth.nhs.uk (search 'Falls prevention service').

Steady and Strong – Hampshire County Council

Classes designed to help people over 65 to improve strength and balance, helping you to live independently for longer. To find your local class, use the search function on the following website or call **0300 555 1386**.

Web: **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Steady and strong').

Be proactive about staying healthy

As we get older, routine check-ups are critical to maintaining your long-term health and independence. Appointments help your doctor to detect and address any issues. They also give you the opportunity to ask any questions and to make sure you are taking all the necessary steps to stay active and well.

Learning what is normal for you and detecting subtle changes in your daily activities may help you identify and address problems before they become a major issue. You may be able to minimise or even reverse some of the changes you experience including reduced mobility, visual problems, bladder and bowel control and hearing loss. See 'health and wellbeing advice' beginning on page 12 for help with specific issues such as incontinence, drinking, smoking and weight management.

There is a range of NHS online tests, tools and apps that you can use to check your current health and wellbeing:

- Take the 'How Are You?' quiz created by Public Health England. Visit
 www.nhs.uk/better-health/how-are-you-quiz
- There are also several apps which you can use on your phone to help you keep fit and healthy. Visit www.nhs.uk/better-health/#active-10
- A BMI calculator (visit www.nhs.uk and search 'BMI calculator') can show you whether you're a healthy weight for your height, and if you're overweight. It also advises what your daily calorie range should be so you can lose weight.
- Take the online heart age test to see what your risk of getting heart disease or stroke is.
 Visit www.nhs.uk/health-assessment-tools/ calculate-your-heart-age
- Find out if you're at risk of type-2 diabetes with this quick and simple test. Visit www.diabetes.org.uk (search 'Know your risk of type 2 diabetes').

We're all responsible for our health and regular health checks are vital:

- If you're aged 40 to 74, you may be eligible for a free NHS Health Check. Find out more about the check and where you can have yours in Hampshire by asking your GP or visiting www.hants.gov.uk (search 'Health checks').
- Anyone who is on their GP's learning disability register can have a free health check once a year. You can ask to go on this register if you think you have a learning disability. Visit www.nhs.uk (search 'Annual health checks') or ask your GP surgery for more information.
- Annual physical health checks are also available for people registered with their GP as having a severe mental illness. You should be invited annually for a health check but if you think you are due one, you should contact your GP surgery.

Make sure you get your annual flu jab – especially if you are over 65, have certain medical conditions or are a carer. For more information, contact your GP surgery or visit **www.nhs.uk** (search 'Flu vaccine').

Keep your mind alert

Most of us become a little more forgetful as we get older, but it is not inevitable and there are things

you can do to stay alert. Physical exercise is a great route to take for better brain health, as it improves the flow of blood to your brain. Older people who regularly undertake moderate exercise have a 36% lower risk of cognitive impairment than those who do not.

If you are not able to do any physical exercise, then there are other ways for you to keep your brain engaged. You could read a book, complete a jigsaw or crossword, play a game of chess, learn a new skill or language. Here are four easy activities you could do every day to strengthen brain function:

- Test your recall. Make a list of grocery items, things to do, or anything else that comes to mind and memorise it. An hour or so later, see how many items you can recall. Make items on the list as challenging as possible for the greatest mental stimulation.
- 2. Multiply random two-digit numbers in your head. 12 x 43? 24 x 16? It doesn't matter how long you take to arrive at the answer you're still exercising your brain.
- Create word pictures. Visualise the spelling of a word in your head, then try and think of any other words that begin (or end) with the same two letters.
- **4. Challenge your taste buds.** When eating, try to identify individual ingredients in your meal, including subtle herbs and spices.

If you are worried about memory loss, you may wish to read the information in this Guide about dementia, beginning on page 81.

Think about what you eat and drink

It sounds obvious but having a balanced diet is crucial for good health and energy and to prevent illness. Read the information overleaf and check out the useful contacts for more helpful advice.

There are lots of cheap and tasty ways you and your family can eat well every day. The NHS website has tips on cutting out sugar, salt, and how to eat well, for less. You can also find out more about healthy eating on the Better Health – healthier families website to get ideas aimed at helping you to lead a healthier life. See page 12 for web address.

→ Losing weight is not a natural part of getting older and undernutrition can lead to illness. Age UK have produced a healthy eating guide which you can download and print. If you, or someone you are caring for, is losing weight and you are concerned, you should speak to your GP. Your local pharmacist may also be able to give you some advice.

BAPEN has developed a simple online self-screening tool you can use along with advice to follow if you are at risk of becoming malnourished. It is equally important, especially for older people, to make sure that you drink plenty of fluids to stay hydrated. Dehydration is a common cause of hospital admission for older people. It can lead to urinary tract infections and make the symptoms of other illnesses worse.

If you are worried about an older person who is not drinking enough, the e-learning for healthcare website has an easy-to-follow course on 'Hydration in older people' with some useful advice and tips. Visit **www.e-lfh.org.uk** (search 'Hydration in older people').

Age UK - Healthy eating guide

Tel: **0800 678 1602 •** Web: **www.ageuk.org.uk** (search 'Healthy eating guide').

BAPEN – Malnutrition self-screening tool

Web: www.malnutritionselfscreening.org/self-screening.html

Better Health – healthier families

Web: www.nhs.uk/healthier-families

NHS website, The - Eat well

Web: www.nhs.uk/live-well/eat-well

Look after your feet

You are more prone to foot problems as you get older, so it is very important to take care of your feet. Call **0800 678 1602** or see advice from the Age UK website (**www.ageuk.org.uk** – search 'Fitter feet').

Depending on where you live and any conditions you have (such as diabetes and rheumatoid arthritis), it may be possible to have routine podiatry (also known as chiropody) treatment on the NHS. You should speak to your GP about this.

If you do not qualify for free treatment, you can search for a podiatrist (chiropodist) in your area on the College of Podiatry website (**www.rcpod.org. uk/find-a-podiatrist**) or call **0207 234 8620**. Some community organisations, such as Age UK, offer foot care and toenail cutting services.

Use the **Connect to Support Hampshire** website to find a foot care clinic near you.

Web: www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories (search 'Foot care').

Health and wellbeing advice

By making a few small changes to the way you live, you can make big changes to your health and wellbeing. This can also have a beneficial impact on the wellbeing of your family members and those you care for. There's lots of information and support available across Hampshire to help you stay healthy and well. For more information, visit www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/healthadvice

Drink and drugs

To keep your risk of alcohol-related harm low, men and women are advised not to drink more than 14 units of alcohol a week on a regular basis. It's good to spread your drinking evenly over three or more days. If you're trying to cut down on the amount you drink, it's a good idea to have several alcohol-free days each week.

Hampshire County Council's Rethink Your Drink pages have useful resources and top tops. Visit **www.hants.gov.uk/rethinkyourdrink**

The Better Health website offers free information and advice on easy ways to gradually drink less. Visit **www.nhs.uk/better-health/drink-less**

Drink Coach offers a free, quick and confidential test to find out how risky your drinking is. Visit **www.drinkcoach.org.uk**

It's important to seek medical advice before you stop drinking if you have physical withdrawal symptoms (like shaking, sweating or feeling anxious until you have your first drink of the day). It can be dangerous to stop drinking too quickly without proper help. Drug use has very clear effects on health and wellbeing. FRANK's A to Z (www.talktofrank.com/drugs-a-z) gives information about the effects and impact of different drugs. The NHS website also has comprehensive information about drinking and alcohol (www.nhs.uk/live-well/alcohol-support) as well as drugs and drug abuse. Visit www.nhs.uk (search 'Drug addiction').

If you need help with an alcohol or drug problem, you can contact the following treatment services for adults and young people.

Hampshire

Hampshire 24/7

For people under 25.

Tel: **0800 599 9591 •** Web: www.catch-22.org. uk/find-services/hampshire-247

Inclusion Recovery Hampshire

For people 25 years or older.

Tel: **0300 124 0103**

Web: www.inclusionhants.org

Portsmouth

Drug and Alcohol Support Service

For people under 19.

Tel: **07951 497898** or **07557 753131**

Web: www.portsmouth.gov.uk (search 'DASS').

Recovery Hub

For people 19 years or older. • Tel: **023 9229 4573**

Web: www.portsmouthrecovery.org

Southampton

Change Grow Live Southampton

For people over 25. • Tel: 023 8200 2764

Web: www.changegrowlive.org/drug-alcohol-service-southampton/info

Drug and Alcohol Support Hub

For people under 25. • Tel: 023 8022 4224

Web: www.nolimitshelp.org.uk

You may want to talk to your GP about your drinking or drug taking. Your GP will listen to you and assess the nature of your problems. They will help you choose suitable treatment and support options which are available. They might offer to treat you or refer you to your local specialist alcohol and drug service.

Adfam

Provides support for families affected by drugs or alcohol. • Web: **www.adfam.org.uk**

Al-Anon

Provides support and advice for those affected by someone else's drinking. • Tel: **0800 008 6811**

Alcoholics Anonymous

Tel: 0800 917 7650

Drinkline

Tel: 0300 123 1110

Narcotics Anonymous

Tel: **0300 999 1212**

Parent Support Link

Offers information and advice as well as support groups across Hampshire for anyone affected by someone else's drug or alcohol use.

Tel: 023 8039 9764

Talk to FRANK

For information, support and live chat about drug use. • Tel: **0300 123 6600**

NHS website, The

Information for families of drug users.

Web: www.nhs.uk (search 'Families of drug users').

Smoking

Now is the right time to quit. Every cigarette causes you real harm and quitting smoking is healthier for you and your family. Smokefree Hampshire is committed to helping smokers who live or work in Hampshire who want to quit. Tailored support is provided to help you quit – including access to free Nicotine Replacement Therapy.

Visit the Smoke Free Hampshire website (www.smokefreehampshire.co.uk), call 01264 563039, 0800 772 3649, text 'Quit' to 66777 or email smokefree.hampshire@nhs.net

Weight management

Maintaining a healthy weight is important for your overall health. Becoming overweight or obese increases your risk of developing conditions such as heart disease, type 2 diabetes and some cancers. Find information and advice to help you lose weight from the NHS at

www.nhs.uk/better-health/lose-weight

→ Hampshire County Council is working with Weight Watchers to provide support for adults over the age of 18 who want to lose weight.

If you're an adult living in Hampshire and your body mass index (BMI) is above average, you may qualify for free support (this service is not available to residents living in areas covered by Portsmouth or Southampton City Councils). For more information, visit www.hampshire.gloji.org.uk/ or call 0800 048 9509.

If you are a man living in the Hampshire County Council area who wants to lose weight, improve your fitness and play football, then you could join your local MAN v FAT Football club. Play small-sided football games against other men who also want to improve their health. You can join if you're 18 or over and have a BMI of 27.5+. For more information, visit **www.manvfatfootball.org** or call **0345 163 0042**. If football isn't your thing, you could try the online MAN v FAT Challenge. Visit **www.manvfat.com** or call **0345 163 0042**.

Incontinence

Incontinence can be very distressing. However, there is a lot of information available to support you. Refer to the following resources to find out more.

NHS website

Web:

www.nhs.uk/conditions/urinary-incontinence

www.nhs.uk/conditions/bowel-incontinence Web: www.nhs.uk (search 'Incontinence products').

You can also access a wide range of support to help you with any incontinence issues.

Age UK

Information and advice about incontinence.

Tel: **0800 678 1602**

Web: www.ageuk.org.uk (search 'Incontinence').

Bladder & Bowel UK

Offers online information as well as a national helpline offering advice about a range of bladder and bowel conditions.

Tel: **0161 214 4591 •** Web: www.bbuk.org.uk

Bladder Health UK

Offer support and advice including a confidential advice line.

Tel: **0121 702 0820** (Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 2.30pm).

Web: **www.bladderhealthuk.org** (search 'Continence support').

Changing Places – Toilet Map

An online directory of publicly available disabled friendly toilets and changing facilities across the UK.

Web: www.changing-places.org/find

Community Bladder and Bowel Service Southampton

The service promotes continence and the management of incontinence.

Tel: **0300 123 3795** (Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 4.30pm).

Email: SNHS.bladderandbowelwest@nhs.net

Disability Rights UK – The RADAR National Key Scheme (NKS)

(NKS) offers disabled people independent access to locked public toilets around the country.

Tel: **0203 687 0790** (shop).

Web: **www.disabilityrightsuk.org** (search 'Radar Key').

Incontinence UK

Offers advice, product guides and an interactive forum offering advice from experts and members of the public.

Tel: **0208 561 2797** (Monday to Thursday, 9.00am to 5.00pm; and Friday, 9.00am to 4.00pm).

Web: www.incontinenceuk.co.uk

Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust – Continence Service

Offers support, assessments, treatment and advice to individuals over 18 who have bladder and/or bowel problems. • Tel: **023 8231 1690** Email: **clinicaladmin@southernhealth.nhs.uk**

Sleep

Sleeping well is essential if you are to stay well and feel good. It is especially important if you lead a busy life, are coping with illness or stress or if you are caring for someone else.

If you are having sleep problems, it is important that you understand what is causing this and take steps to sleep better. Visit **www.nhs.uk** (search 'Sleep and tiredness') for more information or speak to your GP.

The Sleep Charity

Call the National Sleep helpline to speak to a trained sleep adviser.

Tel: **0330 353 0541** (Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 7.00pm to 9.00pm; and Monday and Wednesday, 9.00am to 11.00am).



Mental health

No mental health need is the same from one person to another. We all have a range of mental health needs during our lifetimes, as children, adults and older adults. It can include the worries and grief that we all experience as part of everyday life. It can also include serious events or diagnosed mental health conditions for which we may need to seek specialist help.

Some of us can cope with these worries, stresses and life events without formal help. Some people might need support from friends, family or colleagues whilst others may benefit from specialist mental health input.

Mental health needs can affect anyone, of any age or background and at any time of our life. Carers who support people with mental health needs like family and friends might also need support from time to time. See adjacent and on page 100 for more information about support for carers.

Helping yourself

If you have access to the internet, there is a vast range of online information and help available to support your mental wellbeing. Visit **www. connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/mentalhealth** for useful links. There is a selection of local services designed to support you with any mental health complications you may be experiencing.

Useful local contacts

iTalk

A free service for patients aged 16 and over with depression, anxiety or stress and who are registered with a GP in most areas of Hampshire (excluding Southampton and Portsmouth).

Visit the following website for more information. Tel: **023 8038 3920 •** Email: **info@italk.org.uk**

Web: www.italk.org.uk

Mind Solent

Offers a support line for anyone in Hampshire who is feeling low or anxious and needs someone to

talk to. • Tel: **023 8202 7810** Web: www.solentmind.org.uk

TalkPlus

Offers treatment to those experiencing stress, anxiety, depression, low mood, panic, phobias or OCD and is available to those who are registered with a GP in Rushmoor and Hart.

Tel: 01252 533355 • Web: www.talkplus.org.uk

You can also search **Connect to Support Hampshire**'s Community Directory and filter by your area for local mental health services. Visit **www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories**

Wellbeing centres

Mind runs wellbeing centres in Hampshire's towns and cities to provide short-term, outcome-focused support to individuals with mental health problems. They are friendly and welcoming places with an informal atmosphere.

The centres provide workshops, courses and other support on many mental health issues. These include:

- Self-esteem and resilience.
- Depression and anxiety.
- Stress management.

- Addictions and mental health.
- Anger management.

Contact your nearest centre to find out more about its programme.

Andover

Westbrook Close, South Street SP10 2BN

Tel: **01264 332297**

Email: wellbeing@andovermind.org.uk

Basingstoke

3 Vyne Road RG21 5NL • Tel: **01256 476572**

Email:

wellbeingbasingstoke@andovermind.org.uk

Eastleigh

111 Leigh Road SO50 9DS • Tel: **023 8061 1458** Email: **eastleighwellbeing@solentmind.org.uk**

Fareham and Gosport

31 High Street PO12 1DF • Tel: **01329 281445**

Email: afg@solentmind.org.uk

Farnborough

The Clockhouse, Clockhouse Road GU14 7QY

Tel: **01252 317481**

Email: wellbeinghartandrushmoor@

andovermind.org.uk

Havant

The Hub, 39 Park Parade, Leigh Park PO9 5AA

Tel: 023 9249 8916

Email: wellbeing@easthantsmind.org

New Forest (Hollies, The)

1 Barton Court Road, New Milton BH25 6NN

Tel: **01425 620642**

Email: nfwreferrals@solentmind.org.uk

New Forest (Marcella House)

Jones Lane, Hythe SO45 6AW

Tel: **023 8084 1341**

Email: nfwreferrals@solentmind.org.uk

Portsmouth - Positive Minds

Unit 1 Middle Street, Southsea PO5 4BG

Tel: **023 9282 4795**

Email: positiveminds@solentmind.org.uk

Romsey

Hampshire Carers Centre, 9 Love Lane SO51 8DE

Tel: 01264 332297

Email: wellbeing@andovermind.org.uk

Winchester

1 Priory Gardens, Parchment Street SO23 8AU

Tel: **01962 859012**

Email: winchesterwellbeing@solentmind.org.uk

Mental health teams

Social Care Mental Health Teams work together with the Health Service's Community Mental Health Teams (CMHT) and deal with people's social care needs alongside their health needs.

The teams help people in the community, whether they have just become ill, have a short-term illness or need ongoing support.

If you live in the North East of Hampshire, mental health services are provided alongside the Surrey and Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust. For the rest of Hampshire, services are provided alongside the Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust.

Contact Hampshire County Council's Mental Health team by completing an online form at **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Contact adults' health and care') or by phoning **0300 555 1386**.

Portsmouth and Southampton

If you live in Portsmouth or Southampton, contact your adult social care department.

Portsmouth City Council

Tel: **023 9268 0810**

Southampton City Council

Tel: 023 8083 3003

Council Tax exemptions and support to pay your bill

You may be entitled to a Council Tax exemption or support to pay your bill if you have a mental health illness. For more information, contact your local council or visit

www.mentalhealthandmoneyadvice.org (search

'Council Tax: exemptions and support to pay').

Advice for older people

Contact your GP if you are concerned about:

- Mood swings.
- Agitation.
- Memory loss or confusion.
- Withdrawal.

You can also contact the NHS **111** service which is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. You can speak to a trained adviser, supported by healthcare professionals. They will ask you questions to assess your symptoms and direct you to the best medical care.

You may find it useful to read about dementia (see page 81) and the signs that could be early symptoms of dementia. Spotting the signs of dementia early means you can get the right treatment and support as soon as possible.

The Message in a Bottle service encourages people living on their own to keep their basic personal and medical details in a small plastic bottle in the fridge. If the emergency services come to your home, they can quickly find vital information about your health. Bottles are funded by local Lions Clubs and are free to users. Ask your local GP surgery or pharmacy

for details or visit **https://lionsclubs.co** (search 'Message in a bottle').

Mental health issues if you're gay, lesbian, bisexual or trans

Mental health problems such as depression or self-harm can affect any of us, but they're more common among people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual or trans (LGBTQ+). The NHS website has advice, including a list of support organisations. Visit **www.nhs.uk** (search 'Mental health for LGBTQ+').

Men's health

The Men's Health Forum is a charity supporting men's health in England, Wales and Scotland. You can find fast, free independent advice online as well as manuals and free downloads. Visit **www.menshealthforum.org.uk** or call **0330 097 0654**.

ManGang is a network of men in Hampshire who believe that it is not weak to speak. Support is provided via regular group meet ups and Zoom meetings. Visit https://mangang.org or call 0330 043 6525.

UK Men's Sheds are community spaces for men to connect, converse and create. Visit **www.menssheds.org.uk** to find a Men's Shed near you or call **0300 772 9626**.

Hospital stays

Whether you are admitted to hospital by appointment or following an accident or emergency, the clinical staff are there to make sure that you are well looked after and that you get the treatment you need. There are some standards which NHS hospitals must meet. The hospital staff must:

- Show respect for your privacy, dignity and religious and cultural beliefs.
- Handle your treatment with complete confidentiality.
- Look after you in a clean and safe environment.
- Provide a named nurse in charge of your care.

Patient advice services

The Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) offers confidential advice, support and information on

health-related matters. The service provides a point of contact for patients, their families and carers. You can find PALS officers in your local hospital.

Say It Once

Different health and social care professionals often ask you for the same information repeatedly. This wastes your time and theirs. Say It Once is run by a group of voluntary organisations in Hampshire who have developed easy-to-use forms for you to record and share your information. It may be a good idea to complete a personal profile before you go into hospital. Visit www.sayitonce.info/about.html

Help with transport to and from hospital

If you cannot use public transport, try contacting a wheelchair-accessible taxi firm or one of the voluntary organisations who can provide transport for hospital appointments. Your GP surgery may have a list of local hospital transport schemes.

You can also use Hampshire County Council's community transport search and select the type of transport and area required. Furthermore, the Good Neighbours Support Service (Hampshire, including Portsmouth) and Communicare in Southampton have volunteers who may help with transport to and from hospital.

If you receive certain benefits or are on a low income, you may be able to get a refund of your transport costs under the Healthcare Travel Costs Scheme. This is not available for visitors.

Useful local contacts

Communicare

Tel: 023 8250 0050

Web: www.communicareinsouthampton.org.uk

Community Transport Team – Hampshire County Council

Tel: **01962 846785**

Email: connecttransport@hants.gov.uk

Good Neighbours Network

Tel: 023 9289 9671

Web: www.goodneighbours.org.uk/groups-map

Healthcare Travel Costs Scheme (HTCS)

Tel: **0300 330 1343**

Web: www.nhs.uk (search 'HTCS').

Your pension and benefits during hospital stays

Your State Pension stays the same no matter how long you are in hospital, but a prolonged stay may affect some benefits you are entitled to:

- If you receive an Attendance Allowance and you go into hospital, call the Attendance Allowance helpline on **0800 731 0122**.
- If you receive the Personal Independence Payment (PIP), you should contact the PIP enquiry line on 0800 121 4433.

You should also contact the borough or district council that deals with your claims for Housing and Council Tax benefit. In most cases, your benefit

entitlement will be reassessed to take account of your new circumstances.

To find out if any other benefit you are claiming (e.g. Jobseeker's Allowance) is affected by a stay in hospital or if there are any benefits that you may now be entitled to, contact your local Jobcentre Plus.

Carers going into hospital

Carers often worry about what will happen if, at short notice, they are unable to care.

The Princess Royal Trust for Carers in Hampshire will help you to discuss, develop and implement your own emergency plan so that you can arrange care at short notice. See page 76 for contact details.

The Portsmouth Carers Centre can also offer information and support. Visit

https://portsmouthcarersservice.co.uk or call 023 9285 1864.

Care of pets during hospital stays

If you have a pet and go into hospital, you will need someone to look after it while you are there. You can ask a family member, neighbour or friend to help to look after your pet in the short term, but you may need to contact a local cattery or kennel. You should find details of these in the telephone directory.

Other sources of help:

- Your vet may know of voluntary groups or sitters who can help.
- Your local Good Neighbour support group. See page 74 for contact details.
- The National Association of Registered Pet Sitters (NARPS) has details of registered sitters in your area. (These services are not free, and rates will vary). Call 0203 002 0065 or visit www.narpsuk.co.uk
- The Cinnamon Trust may have a volunteer who can foster your pet for a short while.
 Call 01736 757900.

If you go into hospital in an emergency, you may not have time to make arrangements for your pet. Your local adult social care department may be able to help. The local authority has a responsibility to see that your pet is looked after until you return home or can make other arrangements. You may be asked to make a reasonable contribution towards the cost of any temporary accommodation.

If you are unable to return home, someone from the local authority will talk to you, or to someone you have authorised to act on your behalf. It will then be agreed what is the best option for your pet. A decision to rehome your pet will not be made without consent from you or your authorised representative.

Leaving hospital and returning home

You may know you are going into hospital, or you may be admitted as an emergency. In either case, you should start thinking about what will happen when you leave.

If you do not yet know your discharge date, ask the health staff if they can tell you an estimated discharge date.

Important things for you and your family to consider and arrange before your discharge date:

- Will you have a key or will there be someone at home to let you in?
- Will you have clothes to go home in shoes and a coat?
- Will there be food in the house?
- Will the house be warm enough?
- Who will be taking you home?
- Have you any close friends, relatives or neighbours who can help you if needed?

You may be medically fit to be discharged from hospital but need some extra support for a short while. If the hospital discharge team feels this is the case, they may ask the hospital social work team to speak with you to assess your needs, with your consent.

You may be offered a short-term service to support you. (Portsmouth and Southampton residents may be offered different services). For more information, refer to the contact details at the end of this section.

If you have someone who helps to look after you, their views, with your permission, will also be considered. They can have their own needs assessed through a carers' assessment. See page 75 for more information.

Before you leave hospital, make sure that you:

- Collect your discharge letter for your GP.
- Arrange your follow-up appointment, if you need one.
- Know how to use any equipment which you are sent home with.
- Ensure you have your medication.
- Get a copy of your care plan (if applicable).
- Ask for any medical certificates you may need.

You may feel that you are fine to return home but if you get home and find that you are having difficulty coping with tasks around the house or with getting out, you can find a lot of information which can help you in the managing at home (page 37), equipment and adaptations (see page 30) and getting out and about (page 22) sections of this Guide.

If you need further help and advice, contact your local adult social care department.

Useful local contacts

Hampshire County Council

Tel: 0300 555 1386

Web: **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'When you leave hospital').

Portsmouth City Council

Tel: **023 9268 0810**

Web: **www.portsmouth.gov.uk** (search 'Support after a fall or medical crisis').

Southampton City Council

Tel: **023 8083 3003**

Web: **www.southampton.gov.uk** (search 'Going home from hospital').

Medicines

Help from your local pharmacist

Getting advice from a local pharmacist is the best first step for a minor health concern. They can help you with:

- Common illnesses like sore throats, coughs, colds, stomach troubles and aches and pains.
- Stopping smoking and alcohol.

Most local pharmacists have consultation rooms for private conversations and are open until late and at weekends. You don't need an appointment – you can just walk in.

Find your local pharmacist and see what times they are open. Visit **www.nhs.uk/service-search/find-a-pharmacy**

Medication concerns and reminders

If you're worried about the side effects of medication you are taking, you can:

- Keep a list of the effects that you think are due to the medication and talk to your doctor or pharmacist about this.
- Contact the NHS 111 Service who will ask you a series of questions to assess your symptoms and immediately direct you to the best medical care for you.

If you need help with remembering to take your medicines, ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice. There is also a variety of medication management tools available to purchase online.

New medicines and prescriptions

If you're prescribed a medicine to treat a long-term condition for the first time, you may be able to get extra help and advice about your medicine from your local pharmacist through a free scheme called the New Medicine Service (NMS). Ask about your eligibility.

If you are having problems with running out of your tablets or collecting your prescription, ask your local pharmacist if they offer a home delivery service. There are also many repeat prescription delivery services run by major pharmacies. Many of these let you order your repeat prescription online and will request your medicine from your GP and then deliver to your door.

Review your medicines as you get older

As you get older, the way medicines work in your body can change. Some medicines, or combinations of medicines, can make you sleepy or dizzy and can cause you to fall. Ask your GP, pharmacist or Community Matron to review all the medicines you take, even over-the-counter medicines.

Useful local contact

Here for you Hampshire

Provides advice on common symptoms, illnesses and injuries, as well as information on the support available to you when you are feeling unwell.

Web: www.hereforyouhampshire.nhs.uk

Retirement planning

Don't let retirement sneak up on you

After a busy career, retirement can be a big transition. The prospect of retiring can feel both exciting and overwhelming. Thinking ahead and planning for this next stage of life can help us all to make the most of retirement.

Pension and financial planning is very important. Visit **www.moneyhelper.org.uk** (search 'Pensions and retirement') or call **0800 011 3797**. But preparing for your retirement is about more than just your

finances. The following top tips can help you plan for a happy and healthy retirement.

Stay connected

Work offers many social opportunities. For some people, friends and social activities are very much connected with their job or workplace.

If this is the case for you, think about how you will fill your day in other ways and how you could build new connections. Connecting with others outside of work can help you find new interests and stay social. Volunteering and getting involved in your local community is a great way to keep busy, helping you transition into retirement. It'll help you meet new people, share skills and expertise, continue learning and provide purpose. See this Guide's information about staying independent beginning on page 9 and volunteering on page 29.

Explore the huge variety of social clubs and groups to join by searching Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory. Visit **www.connecttosupporthampshire.co.uk/directories** (select 'Choose your category' then 'Community support/activities' and 'Social groups').

You can stay connected online too. Libraries run courses to help if you get stuck and have free-to-use computers. See this Guide's 'Embrace technology' section on page 9 for more information.

You could think about retiring gradually without giving up work altogether (often called 'phased retirement'). Or you could retire and find a part-time job. This could make the transition from working life to retirement easier, give you time to explore new ways of connecting and allow you to find the work/ life balance that suits you.

Stay active

Whether you are retiring from work completely, or planning a phased retirement, it is helpful to think about how you will keep both your body and your mind active.

Consider scheduling in time for things that you couldn't prioritise whilst working. Maybe challenge yourself to learn a language or do a charity walk. Building new activities into a regular routine will help you stay motivated and find a sense of accomplishment.

Keep your mind active by learning new things. Local libraries offer many, often free, short courses and workshops. See this Guide's section on learning opportunities on page 28.

Plan regular time outside – being in nature improves our mood. Combine it with being physically active

for an extra boost. For example, you could join a local walking group or take up gardening (look for community gardening groups or become a volunteer gardener if you don't have a garden yourself).

Make time to move. Discover the many physical activity and exercise groups or clubs on offer. Visit **www.connecttosupporthampshire.co.uk/directories** (select 'Choose your category' then 'Community support/activities'). It is particularly important to focus on activities that increase strength and balance to stay steady and strong.

If you have any health concerns, or you have a disability or long-term condition, you can still enjoy a full and active retirement. See this Guide's 'Getting out and about' section starting on page 22 for help and ideas.

Do the things you love

Retirement is an opportunity to prioritise doing the things you love. This could mean spending more time on existing hobbies. You could join a group with others who share a particular interest. Or you may want to take up a new hobby and try something you have never tried before.

Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory has hundreds of groups and activities. Visit **www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories** (select 'Choose your category' then 'Community support/activities').

Stay positive and look after your wellbeing

It is important to stay as healthy as possible so that you can enjoy your retirement. Be proactive about looking after your health and wellbeing. Just as in every other stage of life it is important to eat well, not smoke, not drink too much and take up the offer of free NHS Health Checks and flu jabs. See this Guide's information on health and wellbeing starting on page 9.

Make the most of retirement. Feeling low or anxious is not a normal part of ageing. If things are making you feel down don't 'just get on with it'. Seeking early help can enable you to feel more like yourself again, and often it won't involve taking any medication. See this Guide's section on mental health starting on page 15 for more information.

Getting out and about

Driving and parking

Older drivers

Hampshire County Council's Road Safety Team offers the Driver Skills Scheme 60+ at a small cost. This is an independent, confidential driving appraisal that helps older drivers to prolong their fitness to drive. The appraisal is not a test but offers help and advice. You get a comprehensive written report together with helpful tips about driving techniques. The appraisal is done using your own car and takes approximately 90 minutes.

Hampshire and Isle of Wight Older Drivers
Forum is a not-for-profit organisation made up
of experts in road safety from across Hampshire
and the Isle of Wight – from representatives
from the emergency services to charities,
local authorities and businesses specialising in
keeping older people on the road. The forum
is about keeping mature motorists on the road
safely for longer. It can provide practical and
informative help and support to enable older
people to continue driving.

Useful local contacts

Driver Skills Scheme 60+

Hampshire County Council scheme.

Tel: **01962 846100**

Email: road.safety@hants.gov.uk

Web: www.hants.gov.uk (search 'Driver skills').

Older Drivers Forum

Web: www.olderdriversforum.com

Disabled drivers

Disabled drivers can get practical advice about driving, an assessment of their capabilities, and advice about car adaptations and/or choice of car from Driving Mobility. The organisation offers professional, high-quality information, advice and assessment to individuals who are recovering from an accident or injury, or who have a medical condition which may affect their ability to drive or access a motor vehicle.

You can apply for exemption from paying vehicle tax if you receive:

- The higher rate mobility component of Disability Living Allowance.
- Enhanced rate of the mobility component of Personal Independence Payment (PIP).
- Armed Forces Independence Payment.
- War Pensioner's Mobility Supplement.

The vehicle must be registered in the disabled person's name or their nominated driver's name. It must only be used for the disabled person's personal needs. It cannot be used by the nominated driver for their own personal use.

It is also possible to get help to buy or lease a car that has been specially adapted for your use through the Motability Scheme. If you do not qualify for this scheme, you can make your own arrangements to have a car adapted by contacting a local car dealer who does Motability work.

Useful local contacts

Driving Mobility

Tel: 0800 559 3636

Web: www.drivingmobility.org.uk

Motability Scheme

Tel: 0300 456 4566

Web: www.motability.co.uk

Blue Badges

Blue parking badges allow parking concessions for cars carrying people who have a permanent disability. They are also issued to those who are applying for a Blue Badge on behalf of a child under the age of three who, because of specific medical conditions, needs to travel with bulky medical equipment, needs to return to the vehicle for treatment or to reach a doctor or hospital quickly or is in a plaster cast due to hip dysplasia.

The Blue Badge scheme is run by the Department for Transport, but badges are issued by local authorities. The badge belongs to the disabled person who qualifies for it (who may or may not be a car driver) and can be used in any vehicle they are travelling in. Parents of a disabled child over two and under 16 can apply for a badge on their child's behalf. Find out more by contacting your local authority.

Hampshire County Council

Tel: 0300 555 1376

Portsmouth City Council

Tel: **023 9284 1176**

Southampton City Council

Tel: 023 8083 3748

Public and community transport

Where to find information

Hampshire County Council's Passenger Transport Service gives useful information about public, community and voluntary transport around the county. You can search for community transport schemes and wheelchair-accessible taxis in your area, including those offering transport for hospital and GP appointments. The service has also produced several useful travel guides.

Passenger Transport – Hampshire County Council

Tel: **0871 200 2233** (Traveline – for enquiries about public transport) or **01962 846785** (for enquiries about community transport).

Email: ptgenquiries@hants.gov.uk

Web:

www.hants.gov.uk/transport/publictransport

Public transport information for residents living in Portsmouth and Southampton can be found on each local authority's website. You can check out public transport information and plan your journey on the Traveline website. Visit www.traveline.info

For enquiries about train times, fares, season tickets and station information, call National Rail Enquiries on **0345 748 4950**. For information about concessionary travel and discounts, see page 24.

Low-floor bus services

Bus services are increasingly being operated by low-floor buses, many of which are accessible to wheelchair users. The driver can usually lower the front of the bus to make getting on and off easier. Ask your local bus company whether your service is operated by low-floor buses.

Bluestar

Tel: **01202 338421**

First Bus

Tel: 0345 646 0707

Megabus

Tel: **0141 352 4444**

Email: enquiries@megabus.com

Mervyn's Coaches

Tel: **01962 774574**

More Bus

Tel: **01202 338420**

National Express

Tel: 0371 781 8181

Email: addl@nationalexpress.com

Portsmouth City Coaches

Tel: **01243 378337**

Reading Buses

Tel: **0118 959 4000**

Salisbury Reds

Tel: **01202 338420**

Stagecoach

Tel: 0345 241 8000

Unilink

Tel: 023 8059 5974

Wheelers Travel

Tel: **023 8047 1800**

Xelabus

Tel: **023 8064 4715**

→ Safe travel in your wheelchair

Travelling in a road vehicle carries a risk for everyone despite the use of safety-designed car seats and compulsory seatbelts. People with disabilities seated in wheelchairs inside a vehicle are at even greater risk.

The safest way to travel is to transfer from the wheelchair to a seat in the vehicle. However, if this is not possible, the next best option is a 'crash tested' wheelchair, whether manual or powered, together with a suitable 'Wheelchair Tie-down and Occupant Restraint System' or WTORS.

Manufacturers should give clear information on whether their products should or should not be used whilst occupied in a vehicle. If they can be used occupied in a vehicle, then the manufacturer should give sufficient detail on how it should be done. This should include guidance on the recommended type or model of WTORS. This information could be available from either a wheelchair or a WTORS manufacturer.

If this information is not available from either manufacturer, report it to the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA), responsible for the regulation of medicines and medical devices. Call **020 3080 6000**.

Journey Assistance Cards

You may need a little extra help whilst making your journey on public transport. It could be, for example, that you have trouble seeing or hearing or you need time to reach your seat.

If you do not feel comfortable speaking to the driver in front of other people to ask for assistance, you may find it helpful to use a Journey Assistance Card. You can print out and use these cards to show the driver, in a discreet way, what help you may need.

Please note that Journey Assistance Cards are not 'official' cards recognised by all operators and it cannot be guaranteed that you will receive the assistance you are asking for. Some bus operators, however, such as the FirstGroup, do produce these cards and drivers have undertaken awareness training. Access the cards by visiting

www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/transport

If you are unable to find public or community transport solutions, your local Good Neighbours group (Hampshire, including Portsmouth) or Communicare in Southampton may have volunteer drivers who are able to help. See page 74 for contact details.

Concessions and discounts

Older residents and those with a disability can take advantage of free travel on local buses throughout Hampshire and the rest of England. In some cases, travel is within certain specified times. You will need to meet criteria on age or disability. You may also be entitled to a 'companion pass' if your disabilities mean that you are unable to travel unaccompanied. For more information about bus passes and travel vouchers contact your council.

Hampshire County Council

Tel: 0300 555 1376

Portsmouth City Council

Tel: **023 9268 8575**

Southampton City Council

Tel: 023 8083 3008

Train travel discounts

If you are aged 60 or over, you are eligible for a Senior Railcard which entitles you to one third off the price of most first class and standard rail fares. The card costs £30 and is valid for one year. You can buy a Senior Railcard online, at a staffed station ticket office or by calling **0345 300 0250**. You will need a valid passport or UK driving licence in order to prove you are eligible.

A Disabled Person's Railcard costs £20 for one year. It entitles you to a third off the price of most first class and standard rail fares and if you are accompanied by another adult, they can also travel at the same discounted fare. Application forms are available online and from rail stations. Alternatively, call the Disabled Person's Railcard Helpline on **0345 605 0525** or textphone **0345 601 0132**.

Discount coach card

National Express offers a Senior Coachcard for over 60s and a Disabled Coachcard for those who are registered disabled at a cost of £12.50 plus £2.50 postage and packaging per year. The concessionary passes entitle the traveller to one third off their travel on most National Express coach services. Call **0871 781 8181** or visit

www.nationalexpress.com/coachcards

Please give at least 24-hours' notice if you travel with a guide dog.

Leisure

Some districts and boroughs offer concessions to older and disabled people as well as to carers and people in receipt of benefits using leisure centre facilities. Contact your preferred leisure centre to enquire about activities suitable for your age group.

Use Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory to find leisure centres near you. Visit **www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories** (select 'Choose your category' then 'Community support/activities' and 'Sport/exercise').

Many other social and leisure outlets in Hampshire offer discounts to older or disabled people. Always ask if any concessions are offered.

If you are blind or severely sight impaired, you are entitled to a 50% discount on your TV licence. If you are over 75, you are currently entitled to a free TV licence if you, or your partner living at the same address, receive pension credit. Call **0300 790 6117** to request an application form or visit **www.tvlicensing.co.uk** for more information.

The UK Cinema Association offers the CEA card to disabled people. This entitles any accompanying carer to a free ticket at participating cinemas. The card is available to people receiving Disability or Attendance Allowance, Personal Independence Payment, Sight Impaired Registration (formerly registered blind) or holding a disabled person's railcard. A small processing fee is chargeable per card. For more information, call **01244 526016**, textphone **18001 01244 526016**, email **info@ceacard.co.uk** or visit **www.ceacard.co.uk**

Many entertainment and leisure venues offer free entry to carers who are accompanying a disabled person. Always check in advance.

There are discounts and exemptions available to disabled drivers and schemes to assist older and disabled drivers with driving and parking. See page 22 for more information.

For those living with a hidden disability, the Sunflower Lanyard was introduced at major UK airports in 2018 to allow passengers with hidden disabilities to indicate discreetly to staff that they may need additional support or help. The use of the lanyard has spread and is now available from several transport providers. It is also available in supermarkets such as Sainsbury's and Tesco.

Equipment and adaptations

You may be eligible for a Disabled Facilities Grant from your local borough or district council to pay for alterations (this is the council you pay your Council Tax to, not Hampshire County Council). Grants are means-tested, and applicants must have a permanent and substantial disability to be considered. An occupational therapy assessment is required to support the request for a grant.

If you are disabled, or have a long-term illness, you shouldn't have to pay VAT on disability-related equipment for your personal use. Equipment suppliers will advise you how to claim VAT relief. See further information and advice in the equipment and adaptations section of this Guide, beginning on page 30.

Proof of disability

Currently, there is no national scheme for disability registration. Organisations or outlets offering discounts and concessions to disabled people will usually accept a letter from the Department of Work and Pensions detailing a disability-related benefit, your Blue Badge* or your Disabled Bus Pass as proof of disability.

If you would like something simpler, which you can keep on you, you might consider applying for an Access Card. This costs £15 and is valid for three years. You will need to supply proof of your disability. Call **0330 808 5108**, Type talk **18001 0330 808 5108** or visit **www.accesscard.org.uk**

*Blue Badges are now available to people with hidden disabilities such as Autism Spectrum Condition and mental health conditions (eligibility criteria apply).

Shopping

Shopmobility

If you can go out to do your own shopping, Shopmobility may help. The scheme can provide manual or powered wheelchairs or powered scooters to people who are disabled or frail so that they can get easily around town to shop or sightsee. You do not need to be registered disabled to use Shopmobility schemes. The schemes are either free or have a nominal charge and can be used by anyone who is either permanently or temporarily disabled. Shopmobility schemes in Hampshire are listed as follows.

Andover

Bus Station, West Street SP10 1QP

Tel: 01264 352000

Basingstoke

Church Street RG21 7QQ

Tel: **01256 476066**

Eastleigh

Unit 2, Swan Centre, Wells Place SO50 9SG

Tel: **023 8090 2402**

Fareham

Ground Level, Multi-Storey Car Park, Osborn Road PO16 7DW

Tel: 01329 282929

Petersfield

Central Car Park, Park Road GU32 3DL

Tel: 01730 710474

Portsmouth

56 Arundel Street PO11NL

Tel: 07493 132948

Southampton (City)

Bargate Car Park, 7 Castle Way SO14 2BX

Tel: **023 8063 1263**

Southampton (West Quay)

Level O, Podium Car Park, Harbour Parade SO14 7EG

Tel: 023 8033 6815

Winchester

Upper Parking Level,

The Brooks Shopping Centre SO23 8QY

Tel: 01962 842626

Internet shopping

You can order almost anything on the internet, and have it delivered to your home. This includes food, clothes and equipment. All the major supermarkets now do home food deliveries. You can also set 'favourites' and save shopping lists. If you are an internet beginner, see page 9 for more information about getting online.

Accessibility and toilets

 AccessAble has online Access Guides to retail and shopping venues across Hampshire. Visit www.accessable.co.uk

- Morrisons has a 'Quieter Hour' in all its stores every Saturday for those who struggle with music and other noise. The National Autistic Society is encouraging other retailers and businesses to introduce a quiet hour. Visit
 - https://my.morrisons.com/blog/community/quieter-hour
- The RADAR National Key Scheme gives you independent access to over 9,000 accessible toilets in the UK. Visit www.disabilityrightsuk.org (search 'Radar key').
- The Changing Places map shows accessible toilets in Hampshire. Click on the individual listings for full details of facilities available. Visit www.changingplaces.org/find (search 'Hampshire').
- If you have a bladder or bowel condition which affects your ability to get to the toilet on time, a Just Can't Wait card may help. Some shops and public places have signed up to the scheme which means you can access their toilet when showing the card. Visit www.bladderandbowel.org (select 'Just can't wait card').

Help from your community and support organisations

If friends, relatives or neighbours are unable to help you with managing your shopping, you could:

- Contact Age Concern Hampshire for details of local voluntary groups who may be able to help. (01962 868545).
- Contact your local Good Neighbours Group (visit www.goodneighbours.org.uk or call 023 9289 9671) covering Hampshire, excluding Southampton).

 Contact Communicare in Southampton (023 8250 0050).

You could also search the Marketplace Directory on Connect to Support Hampshire for paid-for service providers who can support you. Visit **www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/marketplace** (select 'Choose your categories' then 'Home support').



Leisure activities

Day activities and clubs

Brendoncare Club Hampshire runs a network of friendship and wellbeing clubs across Hampshire. Call **01962 857099** for details.

MHA Communities are local groups and clubs aimed at supporting older people to maintain their independence by participating in, supporting or leading a range of different groups, clubs and activities. Call your local scheme to find out more:

Basingstoke and East Hampshire – **01256 346022**Eastleigh – **07989 710620**Gosport and Fareham – **01329 234409**Hart and Rushmoor – **01252 758593**New Forest – **07483 112138**Portsmouth and Havant – **023 9247 1313**Southampton – **07563 556090**Test Valley – **023 8025 4847**Winchester – **01962 890995**

You can also search the Community Directory on the Connect to Support Hampshire website for many more activities and clubs. Visit **www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories** (select 'Choose your category' then select an option).

Sport and exercise

There are many local sports organisations, clubs and groups that cater for people of all ages, with all kinds of disabilities. There are also organisations which cater for people with specific disabilities (e.g. amputees).

Every district and borough council area in Hampshire has leisure centres or sports centres, many with a swimming pool. Most also have a fitness suite with a gym facility and aerobics studio, and they offer a variety of sports activities during the day and the evening. Most of these centres are wheelchair accessible and offer disabled facilities.

Use Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory to find leisure centres and other activities near you. Visit **www. connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories** (select 'Choose your category' then 'Community support/activities' and 'Sport/exercise').

Cinema

As well as good wheelchair access, most cinemas now have audio description and subtitling facilities. A lot of cinemas now have cheaper senior citizen tickets for showings during the day. Contact your local cinema for details. The UK Cinema Association offers a concessions card for disabled people; see page 24 for more information.

Dimensions UK offers autism-friendly screenings at over 250 cinemas in partnership with Cineworld, Odeon, Showcase and Vue cinemas. Every month, each participating cinema shows a different film from a selection of new releases and classics including Pixar animations, Disney adventures and many more films suitable for all ages. Visit https://dimensions-uk.org (search 'Autism friendly cinema') for more information.

Holidays

Many kinds of holiday are organised specifically for disabled people, including accessible hotels and B&Bs which can accommodate people in wheelchairs and where there are helpers and nurses available. You can get information from the specialist organisations listed in this section or you can talk to your local travel agent about your options. It's also worthwhile contacting disability organisations to ask whether they run any adapted holiday accommodation.

Accessibility

National standards for disabled access and facilities in hotels and other holiday accommodation have been drawn up, with input from the Tourist Board and disability organisations. Travel agents and tour operators can give you details about the accommodation they deal with. When making your holiday arrangements you should also ask how easy it is to get to the amenities you wish to visit, perhaps the beach, tourist attractions, local shops or the town centre, from where you will be staying.

Specialist holiday directories

Disability Holidays Guide

Provides information about holidays and breaks for people of all disabilities, ages and levels of mobility. Web: **www.disabilityholidaysquide.com**

Disabled Holidays

A travel agent specialising in accessible holidays in the UK and worldwide. • Tel: **0161 260 0224** Web: **www.disabledholidays.com**

Ski2Freedom

Provides information and advice about making

holidays possible for all. It has a focus on mountain and snow sports activities but will also accommodate non-sports holidays.

Web: https://ski2freedom.com/en

Tourism for All Travel Planner

A one-stop shop for accessible tourism in the UK providing you with a simple way to find accessible destinations and places to stay.

Tel: 0845 124 9971

Web: www.tourismforall.co.uk

Visit South East England

A directory of accessible accommodation in Hampshire and South East England specifically.

Web: www.visitsoutheastengland.com/accommodation/accessible

Holidays for people with a sight impairment

The Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB) can advise on suitable holidays, hotels and 'activity weeks', for example, organised rambling or cultural holidays. For more information, call its helpline on **0303 123 9999**.

Specialist holiday providers and accommodation

For a comprehensive list of holiday and supported holiday providers, accommodation providers and short break/respite services, both locally and nationally, visit www.connecttosupporthampshire. org.uk/holidays

Learning and volunteering

Learning opportunities

Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory

Search the Community Directory at www.

connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories

for adult learning activities and training courses in your area. Select 'Choose your category' then 'Education, Employment and Volunteering'.

Learning in Libraries

You can find events, classes and courses in Hampshire libraries. Facilities and services for older people and people with disabilities are also available. Visit **www.hants.gov.uk/library** or call **0300 555 1387**.

University of the Third Age

The University of the Third Age (U3A) has opportunities for anyone no longer in full-time employment to pursue learning in a friendly environment. Call **020 8466 6139** or visit

www.u3a.org.uk

Online learning

The UK may have more internet users than any other EU country, but one in five adults still don't have the basic online skills to benefit from the web. The good news is that there are now lots of online resources, as well as courses available in your local

community, to help you make that first step. See page 9 for more information.

Family history

Research your family history at Hampshire Records Office. Visit **www.hants.gov.uk/archives** or call **01962 846154**.



Volunteering opportunities

Volunteering makes a positive impact in your community, but it can also have many benefits for you. Volunteering can enable you to learn new skills and meet new people. You can also gain valuable experience that you can take into your future career. You can explore an area of work that interests you or try something completely different. Ideas for volunteering opportunities in Hampshire have been included in the remainder of this section of the Guide.

Volunteering opportunities in Hampshire

Search by postcode for the latest volunteering opportunities near you on the Get Volunteering website. You can choose to search by areas of interest or by skills. Visit www.getvolunteering.co.uk

Find local and national organisations looking for volunteers in Hampshire on Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory. Select 'Choose your category' then 'Education, Employment and Volunteering'. Visit **www.**

connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories

Useful local contacts

Age Concern Hampshire

Operates a team of nearly 400 dedicated volunteers from all walks of life to offer friendship, support and information to service users.

Tel: 01962 868545

 $Web: {\color{blue}\textbf{www.ageconcernhampshire.org.uk}}$

(search 'Volunteering').

Dementia Friendly Hampshire

Volunteer at a peer support group or become a Dementia Ambassador.

Tel: **07388 668332**

Web: www.dementiafriendlyhampshire.org.uk

Hampshire Good Neighbours Support Service

Supports independent voluntary groups that offer neighbourly help to people in their local communities.

Tel: **023 9289 9671**

Web: www.goodneighbours.org.uk/volunteer

Hampshire Libraries

Volunteers take books to people who are not able to make the journey for themselves, support children's literacy or provide customer service in branches.

Tel: **0300 555 1387**

Web: **www.hants.gov.uk/library** (select 'About us' then 'Volunteering').

MHA Communities

Provides care, activities and support services to older people throughout Hampshire and are always looking for volunteers.

Tel: **01332 296200**

Web: www.mha.org.uk/communities/

volunteering

If you have internet access and are considering a volunteering role that may bring you into contact with potentially vulnerable people, try the Connect to Support Hampshire Trigger Tool e-learning course. Visit https://triggertool.

connect to support hampshire.org.uk



Equipment and adaptations

Equipment around the house

There are numerous outlets with a huge range of equipment available to help you around the house. The choice and variety can be confusing but here are a few points to bear in mind:

- Equipment such as grab rails can be purchased through DIY stores.
- Equipment to help you with daily living can be purchased through major chemists or specialist companies.
- For larger items of equipment or adaptations, get at least two quotes.
- Where appropriate check warranties and servicing and maintenance requirements.
- Try out equipment wherever possible.

You may be able to obtain some equipment through an occupational therapist. See 'Help from occupational therapists' beginning on page 33. In addition, see 'Managing at home' beginning on page 37 for advice about staying safe in your home, including fire safety and smoke alarms.

Disabled Living offers free impartial information about services for disabled individuals, older people and those who support them. This includes information about products and equipment from the 'Equipz' team. Visit **www.disabledliving.co.uk** or call **0161 214 4590**.

The Disabled Living Foundation (DLF) offers independent, professional advice and information to help you find out what is available for private purchase. Its Living Made Easy website offers guidance on and information about products you can buy to help you with everyday tasks. Visit **www.livingmadeeasy.org. uk/** The DLF also has a helpline on **0300 123 3084** where you can discuss areas of daily living you find difficult with an experienced adviser.

Connect to Support Hampshire hosts an interactive 'Equipment House' on its website where you can find advice and suggestions on the right equipment to help you.

Web: www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/equipmentforhouse

Care technology

Care technology (sometimes referred to as 'telecare') is monitoring and alert equipment that can help you to remain independent in your home and in the community. This equipment provides you, your carers, family and friends, with the reassurance that help is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Care technology covers a wide range of equipment, such as alarm systems, motion sensors and GPS location trackers, which is connected to a team of fully trained advisers in a monitoring centre who will respond when an alarm is raised.

How does care technology work?

Your equipment is connected to your telephone system and linked to a monitoring centre by a unit with a built-in loudspeaker and a microphone. All alarm units work on mains electricity and have a

battery backup. The battery will automatically cut in if the power is disconnected or fails.

When the alarm is activated, either manually or via an automatic device, an adviser will speak to you through your unit. They will establish how you are and what kind of help you need before taking the appropriate action, such as contacting someone who you have assigned as a responder (a local family member, neighbour or friend) to visit and check that you are all right. If necessary, the adviser will contact the emergency services. Where possible, the adviser will stay on the line with you until help arrives.

Who is care technology for?

This equipment can help anyone who needs extra support to stay independent – older people as well as younger people with learning or physical disabilities.

Further information

The **Disabled Living Foundation** has more detailed information and advice about personal alarm systems and telecare. See page 30 for contact details.

Living Made Easy provides comprehensive information about different care technology products. See page 30 for contact details.

How do I get a care technology package?

You can purchase your own care technology package from a private provider. Prices will vary depending on the packages and products that you require. Hampshire County Council recommends Argenti.

Tel: **01962 670721 •** Email: hello@argenti.co.uk Web: https://argenti.co.uk/hampshire

Portsmouth and Southampton City Councils offer telecare services to their residents.

Portsmouth

Provided by Safe at Home. • Tel: 023 9283 4460

Web: **www.portsmouth.gov.uk** (search 'Technology enabled care').

Southampton

Provided by **Careline**.

Tel: **0333 207 9937**

Web: www.southampton.gov.uk (search 'Careline').

Other providers are available with different options available in different parts of the county. You can search online for providers or equipment, or you can contact:

- Your housing association or your district or borough council (usually the housing department).
- Charities such as Age UK (0800 011 3846 for telecare enquiries).
- The Telecare Services Association which has an online search for local providers.

Useful local contacts

Telecare Services Association

Tel: **01625 520320**

Web: www.tsa-voice.org.uk/find-tec-services



Your online one-stop-shop for information, advice and services to help you manage your care, stay independent and connect to your community.

ConnectToSupportHampshire.org.uk

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

https://asksara.livingmadeeasy.org.uk

You can download and print this checklist at w	ww.cared	:hoices.co.uk/checklists	
Suitability		Will it need to be installed by a professional?	
Does the equipment support your specific needs?		Can the retailer provide you with training in using the equipment?	
Are you willing to use it? Will it fit into your everyday life and routine? Have you tried a demo of the equipment? Do you understand what the equipment is for? Do you need to take it with you when you leave the house? Is it transportable? Does the equipment have any limitations that would make it unsuitable for you? Will it work alongside any assistive technology you already have?		Reliability Will it work if you have pets or live with other people (e.g. could someone else set off a sensor alarm by accident)? Have you read reviews of the equipment you are looking at? Consider these before making your purchase. Can you speak to someone who already uses it? Does it require batteries? Find out how often they will need changing and whether the	
Usability		equipment will remind you to do this. Is it durable? If you drop it, is it likely to break?	
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 any wires 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? Notes		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?	

Help from occupational therapists

Occupational therapists work with people of all ages, whose difficulties may have been present since birth or the result of an accident, illness, ageing or lifestyle. They can help you with all aspects of your daily life.

Occupational therapists can carry out an assessment of what you can and can't do in your everyday activities. They will create individual treatment programmes to help people carry out their daily tasks and with more confidence and independence. They may suggest changes to your environment, whether that be at home or at work, and may introduce the use of equipment which will help with some activities.

Occupational therapists review the treatments periodically, evaluate progress and make changes to the treatment as needed.

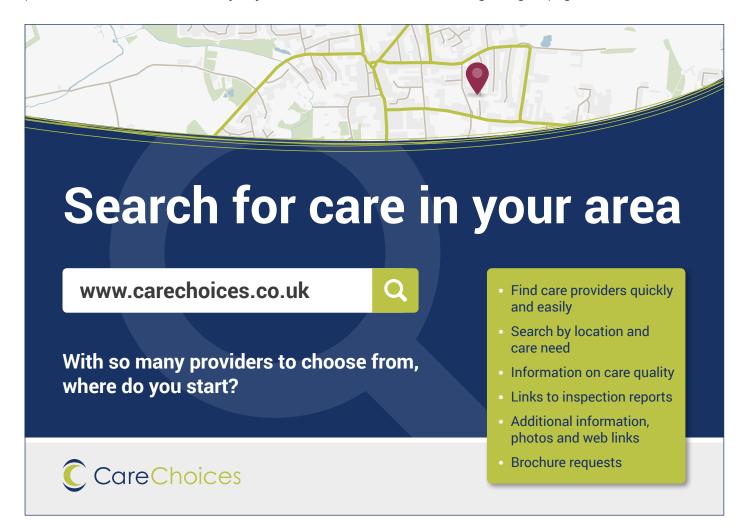
How do I access occupational therapy?

You can get a referral for free occupational therapy through your GP surgery, local integrated care board, local adult social care department or you can go private. The duration and severity of your condition determines whether you can access care through your local authority or the NHS. In general:

- For short-term conditions, such as after an operation, occupational therapy is usually accessed through the NHS.
- For long-term conditions, such as a permanent physical disability, occupational therapy is usually accessed through your local authority.

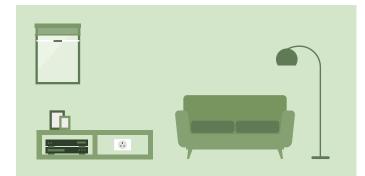
You may wish to use the services of an independent occupational therapist who is in private practice. The Royal College of Occupational Therapists (RCOT) website has a specialist section for occupational therapists working in independent (private) practice. Visit **www.rcotss-ip.org.uk** or call **020 3141 4630**. All occupational therapists who are members of the RCOT Specialist Section Independent Practice are fully qualified and registered with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC).

If you would like to source equipment for yourself which could help you manage everyday tasks, see the information beginning on page 30.



Making life easier at home

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



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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

Is eating and drinking becoming difficult?

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

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



Handled plug



Chair raisers



Chopping board



Level indicator



Teapot tipper

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



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

Is it becoming **difficult to get dressed**? If so, specially adapted clothing is available, or you could buy a long-handled shoe horn, a dressing stick or a button hook. If you are having a lot of difficulty, consider home support – see page 45.

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, see page 30.

Hampshire County Council recommends **Argenti** for all your care technology needs (pendant alarms, environment sensors and more).

Tel: **01962 670721**

Email: hello@argenti.co.uk

Web: https://argenti.co.uk/hampshire



Grab handles



Bed table



Hand rail



Hand trolley



Tap turners

Mobility equipment

Before you are provided with equipment, or you buy it, it's worth getting independent advice to make sure that the type of equipment you're getting is the best to meet your needs. If buying yourself, you may be eligible for VAT relief on devices and services you buy specifically to help you cope with your long-term condition or disability. Your retailer will advise you if this is the case.

Disabled Living

Impartial advice about aids and equipment from the Equipz Team. • Tel: **0161 214 4590**

Web: www.disabledliving.co.uk

Research Institute for Disabled Consumers

Provides independent reports including several mobility and motoring guides.

Tel: 020 7427 2460

Web: www.ridc.org.uk/features-reviews

Walking aids

For information on what's available and where to get it, you can speak to your GP or practice nurse, local pharmacist or social care staff.

If you prefer to buy your own walking aid, there are numerous outlets selling mobility equipment. You can search for 'Mobility equipment and services' on the Trading Standards-approved Buy With Confidence directory. Visit

www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk or call **01392 383430** (Monday to Friday, 10.00am to 3.30pm).

An aid is only useful if you know how to use it properly and safely. Whenever you get new (or replacement) equipment, ask to be shown how it works. Over time, all aids need checking to see they still work. Make sure you know where to find new parts for an aid, or who to talk to about getting an aid repaired or replaced.

Manual wheelchairs

Permanent or regular use wheelchairs are available from the NHS Wheelchair Service. You will need to be referred by your GP for this service. Short-term loan wheelchairs are available from the British Red Cross, usually for a loan period of six weeks. This may be helpful while waiting for a permanent wheelchair to be issued.

British Red Cross

Tel: 0300 456 1914

Web: www.redcross.org.uk/get-help/hire-a-

wheelchair

Disabled Living Foundation

Offers advice if you are considering purchasing a wheelchair privately.

Tel: 0300 123 3084

NHS Wheelchair Service

Web: www.nhs.uk (search 'Wheelchairs').

Which?

Offers guidance if you are thinking about buying your own wheelchair.

Web: **www.which.co.uk** (search 'Choosing a wheelchair').

Powered wheelchairs and mobility scooters

The Motability scheme allows some disabled people getting Disability Living Allowance (DLA), Personal Independence Payment (PIP) or War Pensioners Mobility Supplement (WPMS) to obtain a car, powered wheelchair or scooter. Call **0300 456 4566**.

You can rent or buy equipment from some commercial companies, but it's important to take independent advice to ensure you make the best choice. The number of people using powered wheelchairs and mobility scooters has increased in recent years. Before taking one of these vehicles out on to the road or pavement make sure that you have a good understanding of the rules concerning their use and that you undertake training.

GOV.UK

Guide to registering powered wheelchairs and mobility scooters.

Web: www.gov.uk (search 'Mobility scooters').



Adaptations to your home

Adapting for physical disabilities or illness

If you are finding it hard to manage in your current house or flat, you may want to consider altering or adapting it to suit your needs. You can get information, advice and help on all aspects of making alterations to your home from your local council's housing department. Some local councils may be able to help with discretionary grants for adaptations to support you, for example, to return home from hospital or to make things easier if you have been diagnosed with a terminal illness.

You may be eligible for a Disabled Facilities Grant from your local borough or district council to pay for alterations. See page 25 for more information. Depending on your specific circumstances, it may be possible to arrange for small adaptations or for the loan of certain equipment through your adult social care department. This will usually follow an assessment by an occupational therapist.

Age UK has some top tips on adapting your home. Visit **www.ageuk.org.uk** (search 'Top tips for a more comfortable home') or call the Advice Line on **0800 678 1602**. If your home needs major adaptations to accommodate your needs, you may wish to consider other housing options. See the 'Care homes and other housing options' section beginning on page 94.

Search Connect to Support Hampshire's

Community Directory for organisations that can provide advice about making adaptations to your home.

Visit www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories (select 'Choose your category' then 'Community support/activities' and 'House or garden help').

Adapting for dementia

Simple suggestions such as making your toilet bowl a different colour or even just using brighter lights could improve the quality of life of people living with dementia. Ensuring a colour contrast between the toilet seat, bowl and bathroom floor makes it easier for those with dementia to find the toilet, reducing their risk of incontinence. Yet, minimising colour differences between the kitchen and hall floors could lower the risk of tripping or falling.

A free app, developed by the University of Stirling, may make the above recommendations in just 20 minutes after it digitally assesses how dementia-friendly your home is. Visit **www.stir.ac.uk** (search 'Iridis'). The 'Iridis' app can be downloaded from the Apple iTunes and Google Play stores.

Managing at home

Looking after yourself

Personal care

If you find dressing and undressing difficult, there are several things you can try to remain independent. Choosing appropriate styles and fabrics, adapted clothing as well as using special techniques or equipment can all help to make dressing easier:

- Skirts and trousers with elasticated waistbands are often easier to manage than those with fasteners.
- Loose-fitting, stretchy clothing without fastenings, such as T-shirts, will often be easier to manage and eliminates the need to fasten buttons or zips.

- If choosing clothing with fasteners, make sure the fastener is easily accessible, such as being at the front.
- Magnetic or Velcro fasteners are usually easy to manage.
- Clothes made from knitted or 'jersey' fabrics are often easier to manage than more stiff, woven fabrics.
- Smooth, slippery fabrics such as silk are usually easier to get on and off, as they glide easily over your skin or other layers of clothing.

- → Zip fastenings can be quicker and easier than buttons, although open-ended zips can be difficult to align and fasten if you have pain or stiffness in your fingers.
- Extended tabs or loops can be added to zip tags to make them easier to grip and fasten.

See 'Equipment and adaptations' beginning on page 30 for ideas and products which may help you.

If you are having difficulty getting in and out of a bath, standing in or using a shower and standing at the basin, there are a few things that you can do yourself:

- Put nonslip strips, mats or tiles in your tub and shower to help prevent falls. To combat tripping, secure any loose corners on mats.
- Be sure to keep the tub clean to counteract slippery soap scum or mould.
- Keep the bathroom floor dry, making sure it has no water on it. A weighted shower curtain will help ensure that no water leaks onto the floor.
- Your bathroom should be adequately lit during the day and night.
- Equip your shower with a handheld or adjustable shower head. You can manoeuvre it where you want it, minimising your movement in the shower.
- Put items you use regularly in easy reaching distance, so you don't have to stand on steps, bath edges or move around a lot to reach them.
- Take your time. The more you rush, the more likely you are to fall.

See 'Equipment and adaptations' beginning on page 30 for ideas and products which may help you.

If you are unable to have a bath at home, there may be an assisted bathing facility or service near you. Assisted bathrooms are equipped so that people with mobility issues can enjoy a bath in a safe, relaxing and homely environment. Age Concern Hampshire keeps a list of assisted bathing facilities in Hampshire. Call **01962 868545** for more information.

Toileting is a function that most people take for granted and if assistance is required it can cause distress. Here are some things you can try:

- Make sure the way to the toilet and the room is well lit at night.
- Consider if a special frame, rails or a higher seat would be best to help you get on and off the toilet.
- Never use a walking frame to hold onto whilst standing from a toilet, as it is not designed for this purpose and could easily tip over.
- Talk to your GP about any continence issues.

See 'Equipment and adaptations' beginning on page 30 for ideas and products which may help you. For support and advice about incontinence, see the information beginning on page 14.

If you would like to learn more about care agencies and Personal Assistants, see 'Buying care at home' starting on page 45 for information about paying for help with your personal care in your own home.





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→ Keeping warm in winter

Keeping warm helps prevent conditions such as hypothermia, bronchitis, chest infections and pneumonia. Those at particular risk include vulnerable people, such as the elderly, families on low income and people with long-term medical conditions.

Helping yourself:

- Heat your home to at least 18°C (65°F).
- If you can't heat all the rooms you use, heat the living room during the day and your bedroom just before you go to bed.
- Get your heating system and cooking appliances checked and keep your home well ventilated.
- Use your electric blanket as instructed and get it tested every three years. Never use a hot water bottle with an electric blanket.
- Do not use a gas cooker or oven to heat your home; it is inefficient and there is a risk of carbon monoxide poisoning and this can kill.
- If you are not on mains gas or electricity, make sure you have a good supply of heating oil, solid fuel, or Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) to make sure you do not run out in winter.
- Fit draught proofing to seal any gaps around windows and doors.
- Make sure you have loft insulation. And if you have cavity walls, make sure they are insulated too.
- Insulate your hot water cylinder and pipes.
- Draw your curtains at dusk to help keep heat generated inside your rooms.
- Make sure your radiators are not obstructed by furniture or curtains.
- If possible, try to move around at least once an hour. But remember to speak to your GP before starting any exercise plans.
- Wear lots of thin layers: clothes made from cotton, wool or fleecy fibres are particularly good and maintain body heat.

Advice and financial assistance

If you are struggling to keep your home warm, and live in the Hampshire County Council area, visit the

Hitting the Cold Spots web page at **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Cold spots') or call the advice line on **0800 804 8601**. The friendly Hampshire-based team will be able to provide a range of advice and assistance including one-off emergency fuel vouchers for pre-payment meters for people who meet certain eligibility criteria.

Portsmouth residents

Switched on Portsmouth

Tel: 0800 260 5907

Web: www.switchedonportsmouth.co.uk

Southampton residents

Environment Centre, The (TEC)

Tel: **0800 804 8601**

Web: www.environmentcentre.com/

southampton-healthy-homes

If you are struggling with your winter fuel costs speak to your energy provider, who should be able to offer you a standard monthly direct debit charge to enable you to spread the cost of your energy over the year with fixed regular payments.

 If you were born before 26th September 1956 (for winter 23/24) you will qualify for a Winter Fuel Payment made every November to December. These are usually made automatically so you do not need to claim. Visit

www.gov.uk/winter-fuel-payment

You may also be eligible for a Cold Weather
Payment for each week of very cold weather in
your area if you're getting certain benefits. Again,
this is paid automatically. Visit

www.gov.uk/cold-weather-payment

- You might be able to get help for energysaving improvements to your home, under the Affordable Warmth scheme, if you're on certain benefits and own or privately rent your home.
 Visit www.gov.uk/energy-company-obligation
- National Energy Action (NEA) offers a free support service using SignVideo for BSL users, providing advice on energy bills and keeping warm and safe at home, as well as several guidance videos. Call **0800 304 7159** (10.00am to 12.00pm, Monday to Friday) or visit www.nea.org.uk (search 'Videos').

If you are a pensioner, have a disability, are chronically sick or are hearing and/or visually impaired, your energy provider has an obligation to provide a range of free services, designed to make your life easier. You should contact your provider about its Priority Services Register to find out what is available.

Meal delivery services

Good food is essential for good health, whatever age you are. Eating a balanced diet will not only keep you healthy but also reduce your risk of heart disease, stroke and some cancers. See 'Think about what you eat and drink' on page 11 for more information and useful contacts. Meals on wheels services are offered by your local authority.

Hampshire County Council

Service run by Health & Independent Living Support (HILS).

Tel: 0330 2000 103

Web: www.hants.gov.uk (search 'Meals

on wheels').

Portsmouth City Council

Service run by Age UK Portsmouth.

Tel: 023 9288 3509

Web: www.portsmouth.gov.uk (search

'Meals on wheels').

Southampton City Council

Service run by City Catering Southampton.

Tel: 023 8083 3866

Web: www.southampton.gov.uk (search

'Meals on wheels').



House, garden and pet care

Repairs

You need to make sure that your home is maintained properly so that it is safe for you to live there. If it needs repairs, you can get advice and help. If you are elderly and/or disabled and have a low income, you can get advice and help from the housing department of your borough or district council. Whether you are a council tenant or own your own home, you will be advised whether you qualify for a grant to help pay for the work and if so, how to apply for one.

Your council can recommend a reliable building contractor and check that work has been done to a good standard. Your council will also be able to tell you whether there is a Home Improvement Agency or Handyperson/Handyman Scheme operating in your area.

If you are a private tenant, you should contact your landlord. If they are unwilling to carry out the work needed, you should contact your local council housing department which may help your landlord carry out essential work. If you are a council or housing association tenant, you should contact your landlord.

If you are paying for repairs yourself, you can still get advice and information from your local council. Staff may also be able to suggest local builders who are expert in the kind of repair work that you need. Never agree to repairs to roofing or driveways offered at the door. Always go to a reputable trader.

For small repairs, find a reliable local trader through Hampshire Trading Standards Buy with Confidence scheme. All the businesses in this scheme have been vetted and approved by Trading Standards to ensure that they operate in a legal, honest and fair way. Search for a trader or business online at www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk or call 01392 383430 (10.00am to 3.30pm, Monday to Friday) for

Some smaller local providers may not be registered with Buy with Confidence.

a free directory.

→ If you cannot find anyone to help, you can also search the Marketplace Directory on Connect to Support Hampshire. Visit www. connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/marketplace (select 'Choose your category' then 'Home support'). Please note, you will have to pay for any tradespeople you find through the above directories.

Help around the house

For paid help with housework, you can:

- Find reliable cleaning, ironing and laundry services, which have been checked and vetted by Hampshire Trading Standards, in the Buy with Confidence directory. Visit www. buywithconfidence.gov.uk or call 01392 383430 (10.00am to 3.30pm, Monday to Friday).
- Some smaller local providers may not be registered with Buy with Confidence. If you cannot find anyone on the above directory, you can also search Connect to Support Hampshire's Marketplace Directory. Visit www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/ marketplace (select 'Choose your category' then 'Home support').

If you are going to employ your own cleaner, rather than use an agency, always ask for and check references. You can also search Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory for community groups or organisations that may be able to offer you help with housework, pet care or minor repairs. Visit www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories (select 'Choose your category' then 'Community support/activities' and 'House or garden help').

You may find that there is equipment you can buy that will help you with domestic tasks such as cleaning, cooking and laundry. For more information, see 'Equipment and adaptations' beginning on page 30. Some of the home care agencies beginning on page 51 can provide domestic help within their services. However, if you only need domestic help, you may find it cheaper to use a domestic agency. You can employ these services to come in on a regular or one-off basis.

If you are unable to put your refuse/recycling containers out for collection because of your age

or disability, contact your local district or borough council and ask about Assisted Waste Collection. This is where the crew will come to your house to collect the bin and then bring the bin back to you. This service is usually only available if you can provide proof of disability and there is nobody else to help you.

Good Neighbours groups are independent voluntary groups which offer neighbourly help to people in their local communities. See page 74 for contact details.

Gardening

If you are finding it difficult to maintain your garden because of your age or disability, there are community organisations that may be able to help.

Basingstoke Voluntary Action

Tel: **01256 423816**

Web: www.bvaction.org.uk

Community First

Tel: **0300 500 8085**

Web: www.cfirst.org.uk

Fareham

163 West Street PO16 0EF

Havant

Leigh Park Community Centre, Dunsbury Way, Leigh Park PO9 5BG

New Forest

Suites 3 and 4, Mead Court, Winsor Road, Cadnam SO40 2HR

Gosport Voluntary Action

Tel: **023 9258 3836**

Hampshire Council for Voluntary Services (CVS)

Web: www.hampshirecvs.org.uk

Hart Voluntary Action

Tel: **01252 815652**

One Community (Eastleigh and Fareham)

Tel: **023 8090 2400**

Rushmoor Voluntary Services

Tel: **01252 398450**

Thrive

A national charity offering information and tips on making your garden easier to manage as well as details of the equipment and tools which will be particularly helpful.

Tel: **0118 988 5688 •** Web: www.thrive.org.uk

Unity (Test Valley Community Services)

Tel: 0330 400 4116

Web: www.unityonline.org.uk

Andover

Bus Station, West Street SP10 1QP

Romsey

Former Magistrates Court, Church Street SO51 8AQ

Hampshire Trading Standards Buy with Confidence scheme has lists of reliable gardeners. Search online at **www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk** or call **01392 383430** (10.00am to 3.30pm, Monday to Friday). When asking for quotes, remember to ask if there is a cost to remove any garden refuse and if specific gardening equipment is needed. Find out exactly what they will and will not do (for example, not all gardening services offer hedge cutting).

Some smaller local gardeners may not be registered with Buy with Confidence. If you cannot find anyone to help, you can also search Connect to Support Hampshire's Marketplace Directory. Visit **www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/marketplace** (select 'Choose your categories' then 'Home support').

Utility suppliers and household emergencies

- Southern Electric and Gas offers extra help and advice to customers who are elderly, disabled or have special medical needs. To join its Priority Service Register, call 0800 622 838.
- British Gas offers priority services for people who are elderly or disabled. Call **0800 072 8625**.
- BT has online information and advice for people with a disability or impairment. Visit
 www.bt.com/help/here-for-you or call
 0330 1234 150.

- BT has a free Priority Fault Repair Scheme for people who rely on the telephone for health or mobility reasons. Call **0800 800 150**.
- Southern Water offers services for people who have extra needs and help for people having difficulty paying their bills. Call 0800 027 0800 (extra needs) or 0800 027 0363 (paying bills).
- South East Water offers a Priority Services
 Register as well as help for customers who are
 struggling to pay their bill. Call 0800 952 4000.

Household emergencies – who to call

Bournemouth Water

Tel: 0344 346 2020

Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline

Call for a local electrical contractor.

Tel: **0808 223 1133**

Floodline

Phone the Environment Agency's Floodline to sign up for flood warnings and get simple advice on what to do before, during and after a flood.

Tel: **0345 988 1188**

National Gas Emergency Number

Tel: **0800 111 999**

National Power Cut Helpline

Tel: **105**

Portsmouth Water

Emergency Line: 023 9247 7999

South East Water

Emergency Line:

0333 000 0365

Southern Water

Emergency Line:

0330 303 0368

Caring for your pet

There is ample support available in Hampshire to ensure your pets are well looked after. See page 95 for a list of organisations that can help.

Staying safe in your home

Security

Tips and advice:

- Make sure you secure windows and doors before you leave the house.
- If you are in the garden or upstairs, make sure your downstairs doors are locked, and that you have a key with you to get in or out in a hurry.
- Fit window locks and keep the keys in a safe place.
- Keep tools and ladders securely locked away.
- Display your burglar alarm and neighbourhood watch sticker prominently.
- Put up a warning sign for visitors if you have a dog as this will deter thieves.
- Keep valuable items out of view. Don't leave keys under a doormat or on a string through the letterbox. Burglars expect this.

Hampshire & Isle of Wight Constabulary has comprehensive online advice and top tips about crime prevention. Visit **www.hampshire.police.uk** (search 'Crime prevention'). You can also receive free crime and community information about where you live by signing up to Hampshire Alert. Call **0115 924 5517** or visit **www.hampshirealert.co.uk**

If you have problems with home security, answering the door, fitting a door chain or a key safe, there are services that can help:

- The Hampshire Bobby Scheme provides free home security and safety checks to anyone in Hampshire who is vulnerable, disabled or over the age of 60. This service is also available to those most vulnerable due to disability or long-term illness. Call **0300 777 0157**. A police-approved key safe can also be fitted for a donation of £75.
- Your borough or district council's housing department can let you know if there is a local Home Improvement agency or Handyperson scheme that can help you.

Fire safety

Hampshire & Isle of Wight Fire & Rescue Service (HIWFRS) recommends that you have at least one

smoke alarm on every level of your home and ideally in all rooms except your kitchen and bathroom. It is important that you regularly check that alarms are not clogged by dust and that you test that their batteries work.

Plan how you would get out of the house in an emergency. Your working smoke alarm will give you early warning of a fire. You should get out of the house, call the Fire Service and stay out. Find out more about fire safety in the home. Visit www.hantsfire.gov.uk/safety and select 'At home'. You may be eligible for a Safe and Well visit from HIWFRS. Visit www.hantsfire.gov.uk (search 'Safe and well') to complete an online referral form or call the Community Safety Team on 023 8062 6751.

If you are hard of hearing, or even a heavy sleeper, you should consider fitting strobe light and vibrating-pad smoke alarms. Contact the RNID information line on **0808 808 0123** or textphone **18001** then **0808 808 0123**. The Government has produced leaflets on fire safety for people with sight, hearing or mobility difficulties. Visit **www.gov.uk** (search 'Fire safety for disabled people').

Scams

Hampshire Trading Standards warns that an estimated three million people fall victim to scams each year. Scams such as bogus lotteries, prize draws and miracle health cures arrive by post or telephone and target older people and the vulnerable, often leading to debt and in some cases, depression.

Always be sceptical about any unsolicited offers and never part with money or give your bank or credit card details to obtain a prize or an offer that is too good to be true. Don't be rushed into making an instant decision and don't ring premium rate numbers (starting 09) to claim a prize or arrange a parcel delivery.

For further advice or if you are worried that you, or someone close to you, has been a victim of a scam, contact the Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline on **0808 223 1133**. See further information from Trading Standards. Visit **www.hants.gov.uk/business/tradingstandards** (select 'Consumer advice').

Hampshire & Isle of Wight Constabulary has further information about fraud and how you can report it. Visit **www.hampshire.police.uk** (search 'Fraud'). You can also receive free crime and community information about where you live by signing up to Hampshire Alert. See page 44.

Online fraud and cyber crime

As the internet has become part of our daily lives, online fraud has increased – from email scams to fake holiday sites to identity fraud. Read the information and advice from Hampshire & Isle of Wight Constabulary on how to protect yourself from these types of scams. Visit

www.hampshire.police.uk (search 'Online fraud').

Cold callers and possible doorstep criminals

Hampshire Trading Standards has information about who might cold call at your door and how to protect yourself from rogue traders and doorstep criminals. It also has a poster which you can print and display in your home to discourage cold callers. Visit www.hants.gov.uk/business/tradingstandards (select 'Consumer advice' then 'Community support'). Hampshire & Isle of Wight Constabulary has advice and helpful videos on how to spot and report

suspected doorstep criminals. Visit www.hampshire.

police.uk (search 'Be aware of doorstep criminals').

Reducing nuisance junk mail and telephone calls

- You can reduce the amount of junk mail delivered to you by visiting the Mailing Preference Service website (www.mpsonline.org.uk) or by calling 0207 291 3310.
- You can stop unaddressed leaflets being delivered by Royal Mail by completing an online form (www.royalmail.com – search 'Opt out') or calling 0345 266 0858.
- You can stop unsolicited telephone calls by visiting the Telephone Preference Service (TPS) website (www.tpsonline.org.uk) or calling 0345 070 0707. It may take a while for calls to reduce. If you continue to have a problem, call the TPS or the Information Commissioner's Office on 0303 123 1113.

Equipment

There is a lot of equipment which can help you to feel safe in your home, as well as when you are going out, including care technology such as pendant alarms, sensors and GPS trackers.

See the 'Equipment and adaptations' section beginning on page 30.

Buying care at home

If you are looking for support with domestic tasks, see the information on 'House, garden and pet care' beginning on page 41. If you need more personal care to help you with everyday tasks (such as washing, dressing, preparing meals or going to the toilet), there are a lot of care providers and care services.

Probably the most important consideration is whether you want your care to be fully managed for you by someone else or whether you prefer to manage your own care.

Using a home care agency

Home care or 'domiciliary care' agencies can provide a 'fully managed' service. They directly employ, train and supervise the carers which they supply to you and take complete responsibility for the management of the care service. Home care agencies are regulated and inspected by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) who inspect the services that are being offered and provide a quality rating. It is a good idea to read the latest inspection report for any agency you are considering using. Call **0300 061 6161** or visit **www.cqc.org.uk**

A list of all CQC registered home care agencies operating in Hampshire, Portsmouth and Southampton begins on page 51. If you would like some help to find the right home care for you, you could use a free care brokerage organisation such as CHS Healthcare. Call **0800 008 7193** or visit **www.carehomeselection.co.uk/home-care**

A useful checklist of questions to ask home care agencies has been included at the end of this section of the Guide; see page 49.

→ Employing or engaging a Personal Assistant (PA) If you would like to manage your own care, you could engage or employ a PA. You could:

• Directly employ your own PA.

You have full choice and control over who works for you. You will need to take on, and fully understand, the responsibilities of being an employer. You can find detailed information about this on the Hampshire PA Finder website (www.hampshirepafinder.org.uk/employingapa).

Engage the services of a self-employed PA.

If you want to have choice and control over your care and support, but don't want to take on the responsibility of being an employer, you could engage or contract with a self-employed PA. People acting as self-employed PAs are in business for themselves. They offer an agreed set of services in exchange for a fee. If you want to engage or contract with a self-employed PA, they should send you a quote for their services, send you an invoice to take payment, say when they want to work and should bring their own equipment. They're also responsible for making their own tax and National Insurance contributions. You can read further guidance from Skills for Care (www.skillsforcare.org.uk – search 'Before your PA starts').

• Engage the services of a PA through, for example, an 'introductory agency' or matching service.

If you are finding it difficult to find a PA, you might choose to use an 'introductory agency' or online marketplace. Some home care agencies also offer an introductory service. Introductory agencies usually specialise in 'live-in carers' but some also offer home care packages. The carers they introduce to you will usually work on a self-employed basis, will take care of all their own tax affairs and are free to be registered with several care agencies. You will pay an 'introductory' fee to the agency.

Most introductory agencies will carry out checks and ask for references for any PAs on their books, but you should always ask what their recruitment processes are and check their full terms and conditions. Introductory agencies are not regulated or inspected by the CQC as they do not have an ongoing role in the management of your care. You can read further guidance from Skills for Care (www.skillsforcare.org.uk – search 'Before your PA starts').

Will my local authority provide care for me?

Your local authority can only provide care services if you meet certain eligibility criteria. You will then have a financial assessment and you may have to pay for any care you receive. To find out more, contact the adult social care department of the local authority where you live.

Some people with long-term, complex health needs qualify for free social care arranged and funded solely by the NHS. This is known as NHS Continuing Healthcare (CHC). Before your local authority offers services, it will need to consider whether your primary need is health-related and whether you may be eligible for CHC. If you think you may be eligible, you can contact your integrated care board (ICB) directly for an assessment. Paying for care is explained in greater detail later in this Guide; see the information beginning on page 108.

What if I need to complain or have concerns about a service?

See the information on 'protecting adults at risk' (page 116) if you have any safeguarding concerns. If you are not happy with the service you are receiving from a home care agency, speak to the manager to try to resolve any problems or ask to see their complaints procedure. The CQC also provides information on how to complain about a care service. Visit **www.cqc.co.uk** (search 'Complain about a service or provider') or call **0300 061 6161**.

If you have employed or engaged a PA, see the information from Hampshire PA Finder on how to sort out problems. Visit **www.hampshirepafinder. org.uk/employerquicklinks**

You could also contact the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (ACAS) helpline for advice. Call **0300 123 1100** (Monday to Friday, 8.00am to 6.00pm).







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For more information please contact **The Hub** on

01794 513 555

www.casbrookhomecare.co.uk/services/the-hub



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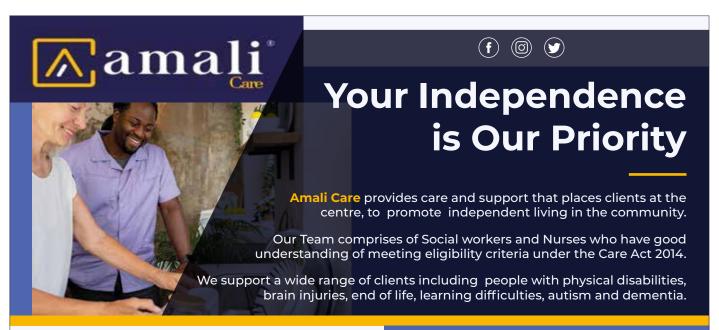
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We support you to live independently in your own home.

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We support you to maintain a possitive mental well-being.

0330 043 1134

info@amali.care

www.amali.care





Do you need a helping hand?

If you are looking for an alternative to residential care or extra support for those everyday tasks that are becoming difficult for you or a loved one – then we're here to help – from 30 minutes per day to full time live-in care.



HOURLY VISITING CARE

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AIM SUPPORTED LIVING SERVICES

We enable people to live in their own homes while they are being cared for full time.



RELATIVES LOGIN TO CARE NOTES VIA THEIR OWN PORTAL



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We are always there to step in, when you need to make time for yourself from caring for your loved ones.

Our Carers receive the best specialised training and we match the best carers to your specific needs. We offer real care solutions, with care plans specifically tailored to support you and your family's needs.

For information on how we can help you please call:

Fareham: 01329 600 406 | Eastleigh: 02381 849 802

Visit: www.aimhomecare.co.uk

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Agency 1			Fees per week	Quality rating*
Agency 2			£	
Agency 3		······································	£	
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				
About the agency		Accommodat	ing your needs	;
How long has the agency been operating?			accommodate your crease? Ask about the	
How long are staff allocated per visit?		Does the agency have a training		
Can you contact the agency in an emergency or outside office hours?		scheme in place		
Does the agency have experience with your specific needs?		Are all staff train	ed to a certain lev	/el?
		Are staff able to administering me	help with edication if requir	ed?
Staff		•	r staff to commun	
Are you likely to be visited by different staff each day?			about the support ey visit you? How?	
Are all staff checked with the Disclosure and Barring Service?		Regulation		
Will you be notified in advance if your care worker is on holiday or sick?		Will your support regular intervals	t plan be reviewed?	d at
Are staff matched to you specifically, based on your needs and preferences?		•	agency's contract t complaint easily?	erms?
Can you meet your care worker(s)		, ,	dealt with quickly?	,
before they start?		·	ppy of the agency'	
Does the agency have both male and female staff?		CQC registration quality rating?		
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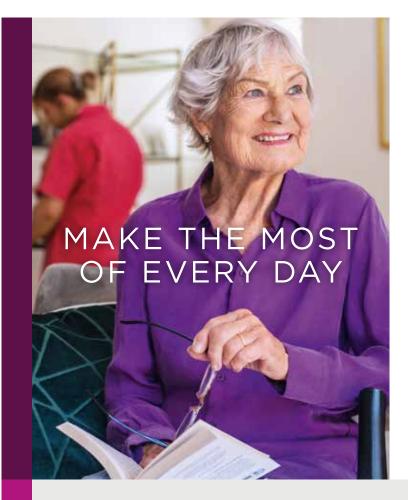


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Your Life (Basingstoke)

Basingstoke

Tel: 01256 479522 **OP PD SI**

Waterside Homecare Services Ltd

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OP D PD SI YA Tel: 07526 221029

Your Life (Eastleigh)

Eastleigh

OP PD SI Tel: 023 8064 1087

We Care 24x7 Ltd

Havant

Tel: 07459 165660 OP YA Your Life (Lymington)

Lymington

OP PD SI Tel: 01590 679900

We Care Together Southampton

Southampton

OP D PD MH YA Tel: 023 8178 0708

Your Life (Southsea) Southsea

Tel: 023 9286 5962 **OP D PD SI**

Wellesley Court

Waterlooville

OP PD SI YA Tel: 023 9223 7100

YourCare Support Ltd

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Southampton

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Whispers Care Solutions Ltd HCA

Winchester

OP D PD LDA MH SI YA Tel: 023 8001 0600

Yourlife (Alton)

Alton

OP D PD SI Tel: 01420 80163

White Bird Care and Nursing Agency

Aldershot

OP D PD MH YA Tel: 01276 685415

YourLife (Fleet)

Fleet

Tel: 01252 623571 **OP D PD SI**

Willow Brook

Fareham

OP LDA MH YA Tel: 01329 310825

For more information about home care and how it can help you, see page 45.

Service OP Older people (65+) D Dementia PD Physical disability LDA Learning disability, autism

User Bands MH Mental health SI Sensory impairment YA Younger adults AD People who misuse alcohol or drugs

Carers

Support and advice

Carers are people who provide unpaid practical or emotional support to a family member, a friend or another person who needs help or support to manage daily activities. A carer may be looking after:

- An older person.
- Someone who has a mental health condition.
- Someone living with a disability.
- Someone with a long-term medical condition.
- Someone with a terminal illness.

Carers may be adults caring for other adults. They may be parents looking after children who have a medical condition or disability. There are also young carers (under 18) caring for, or involved in the care of, relatives or friends.

The closeness of the relationship means that care can include emotional support for the person they support. Some carers do not call themselves carers. They just see themselves as a husband, wife, parent, relative, friend or neighbour. Sometimes there can be more than one carer supporting someone as part of a family or community network. At times, the carer may not be recognised as a carer by the person they are caring for.

Caring for someone can be tiring and stressful.

Carers can focus so much on the needs of the person they are caring for that they neglect their own health and wellbeing. If you are a carer, it is very important that you also look after yourself. This section of the Guide gives you information about the support that is available to you.

Local support

Connect to Support Hampshire's Community
Directory contains details of many local and
national organisations providing support to carers.
These include general carers' organisations and
those related to specific conditions or disabilities.
Visit www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/
directories (select 'Choose your category' then
'Support for carers').

Andover Mind

Provides a carers' support service for all carers living in Hampshire.

Tel: **01264 332297** (option three).

Email: enquiries@andovermind.org.uk

Carers Together

Tel: **01794 519495**

Carers Active Listening Line: **0800 032 3456** (Monday to Friday, 10.00am to 8.00pm; and Bank Holidays and Weekends, 10.00am to 4.00pm).

Email: admin@carerstogether.org.uk

Community Mental Health Teams

Provides access to mental health professionals.

Tel: 0300 555 1386

Web: www.hants.gov.uk (search 'Mental health').

Good Neighbours Support Service

This is an umbrella organisation for several voluntary groups that offer neighbourly help to people in their local communities.

Tel: 023 9289 9671

Web: www.goodneighbours.org.uk

Hampshire County Council

Information for young carers.

Tel: 0300 555 1384

Web: www.hants.gov.uk (search 'Young carers').

Princess Royal Trust for Carers in Hampshire

Offers information, support, advice and emergency respite services for all carers in Hampshire.

Tel: 01264 835246 • Email: info@carercentre.com

Portsmouth Carers Service

Provides advice and support to unpaid carers living in Portsmouth. • Tel: **023 9285 1864**

Unpaid Carers Support Southampton

Supports all unpaid adult carers, from 18 years upwards, across Southampton.

Tel: 023 8083 2253

Email: support@unpaidcarers.org.uk
Web: https://unpaidcarerssupport.org.uk

National support

Carers UK provides a wealth of online information and support at **www.carersuk.org** as well as an advice line at **0808 808 7777**.

Registering as a carer with your GP

You can register your details with your doctor's practice so that your notes are tagged to indicate that you are a carer or that the patient is a caredfor person. It will help your GP if they are aware of your caring responsibilities and the potential impact of your caring responsibilities on your own health. The doctor's receptionist can then also take account of your needs as a carer when trying to arrange appointment times that fit in with your caring responsibilities. You do not need a specific form to fill in, but you can find a useful GP letter and registration form at www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/carersupport

Planning for the future

It is natural to worry about what will happen to the person you care for if or when you are no longer able to care for them. No one likes to think about a time when they may no longer be able to carry out a caring role. But planning how the person you support should be cared for in the future can give you, and them, peace of mind so do not be afraid to start a conversation.

It may help to explore the other care options discussed in this Guide. See page 45 for information about home care, page 46 for information about Personal Assistants, page 101 for information about Extra Care housing and page 94 for information about care homes. If the person you care for is not currently receiving any paid-for care services, but might do in the future, you should also read this Guide's information about paying for care, beginning on page 108.

Advance health care planning

Advanced care plans can be completed with the person you are caring for so they can express their wishes for the future. Advanced care plans are voluntary and are not legally binding but can be a helpful tool to help consider the future. Useful resources include:

• The Future Planning: My Wishes template from Southern Health can ensure that the

things that matter to your loved one, their preferences and wishes relating to their medical care are recorded so that, if they are taken ill, health professionals can make better, more informed decisions about how to support them. Visit **www.southernhealth.nhs.uk** (search 'Future planning').

- My Living Will consists of both an Advance
 Decision to refuse treatment and an Advance
 Statement of your preferences and wishes.
 Visit www.mylivingwill.org.uk
- NHS Planning ahead for end of life. Visit www.nhs.uk (search 'Why plan ahead?').

Making future decisions

The person you care for may consider making a Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) which gives another person legal authority to make decisions on their behalf. A property and financial affairs LPA can either take effect immediately or when a person loses mental capacity to make decisions about their property and finance and this can be specified. The health and welfare LPA can only be used when they lose mental capacity to make those decisions. More information about making a Lasting Power of Attorney can be found on page 92.

Making a will

If you don't have a will, your money, belongings and property will be split up under the Rules of Intestacy. Writing a will is the only way to say who benefits after your death. A will can also help you make provision for a dependant who is unable to care for themselves. You can find out how to make a will on the Citizens Advice website (www.citizensadvice.org.uk – search 'Wills').

Help from your local authority

Your local authority can carry out a carers' assessment. These are usually carried out by the adult social care department or sometimes by an organisation on its behalf. Some offer the choice of an initial online self-assessment. These assessments look not only at the support available from your council but also from a range of private and voluntary organisations. For more information, visit your local authority's website.

→ Hampshire County Council

Tel: **0300 555 1386 •** Web: **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Carer's assessment').

Southampton City Council

Tel: 023 8083 2253

Web: **www.southampton.gov.uk** (search 'Carer's assessment').

Portsmouth City Council

Tel: **023 9285 1864 •** Web: **www.portsmouth.gov.uk** (search 'Support for carers').



Breaks and emergency help

Carers often worry about what will happen if, at short notice, they are unable to care. The Princess Royal Trust for Carers in Hampshire can support you with emergency planning. See page 74 for more information. Once your Emergency Plan has been completed and signed it is backed up by:

- A 24-hour telephone line on **0800 169 1577**.
- Information about other services available.
- Up to 48 hours of care services free of charge in the event of an emergency.
- A carers' emergency card.

Carers' emergency card

This card, which includes emergency contact numbers, should be carried in your bag or wallet. In the event of an accident, this would help alert police officers, the ambulance service or other emergency response staff to the fact that there is also someone else in need of help. Print and complete the carers' emergency card now by visiting www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/breaksforcarers (you do not need to have a Princess Royal Trust emergency plan).

The Herbert Protocol

Hampshire Search and Rescue, Hampshire & Isle of Wight Constabulary and Alzheimer's Society launched the Herbert Protocol to help those who care for vulnerable people who may go missing. You are asked to download and complete a 'Life History Questionnaire' and to record a range of information about the person you care for. You then keep this in a safe place so that it can be made immediately available to police and search teams if the person goes missing. For more information, visit www.hantsar.org/herbert-protocol

Getting a break and having a life alongside caring

There is a range of options available to ensure that carers can maintain a healthy and happy lifestyle when they are not caring for a loved one:

- Short break services and day opportunities (search Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory and Marketplace Directory – visit
 - www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk).
- Community activities (search Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory).
- Care at home (you could contact local home care agencies beginning on page 51 and ask if they provide a 'sitting service'. You could also ask if 'live-in care' is offered; this would enable you to go away overnight or for a longer break).
- Personal Assistant (see page 46 for more information).
- Holidays (see page 27 for more information).
- Leisure activities (see page 27 for more information).
- Local care homes (many offer short-stay care if you need a break. Use the list of CQC-registered residential care providers beginning on page 124. You can also ask about day care for non-residents. This might be informal day care, joining in with the daily activities of the residents, or formal, organised day care services).
- Activities and events which offer carers of adults with learning disabilities an opportunity to take a break (visit www.connecttosupporthampshire. org.uk/LDevents).

Moving and handling

Back care for carers

Without the right support, carers may be prone to back injuries and back pain, especially if they are caring for someone who needs moving on a regular basis. Older carers are particularly vulnerable. Your doctor can give you help and advice if your own health is suffering as a result of looking after someone else.

BackCare, the charity for healthier backs, provides information about the causes, treatment and management of back pain. It has published a 'Carers guide to safer moving and handling of people' which you can purchase, along with a DVD, for £4.95. Visit https://backcare.org.uk/i-have-back-or-neck-

BackCare

pain/carers

Tel: 0208 977 5474 • Web: www.backcare.org.uk

Further support

Ask your doctor for advice about lifting and for relevant training. Your doctor may also arrange for an assessment of the mobility needs of the person you are caring for and provide appropriate mobility aids.

If this does not resolve the difficulties, then an occupational therapist could carry out a moving and handling assessment at the person's home. See page 33 for more information about occupational therapists.

Living Made Easy provides practical advice about equipment for moving and handling.

Tel: 0300 123 3084

Web: www.livingmadeeasy.org.uk (select

'Access and mobility').

Financial support for carers

Carer's Allowance

Carer's Allowance is paid to people who look after someone with substantial caring needs. You do not have to be related to or live with the person you care for and you may qualify if:

- You are aged 16 or over.
- You spend at least 35 hours looking after someone who gets Attendance Allowance or the middle or higher rate of Disability Living Allowance.

For more information, visit www.gov.uk/carersallowance or contact the Carer's Allowance Unit.

Carer's Allowance Unit

Tel: 0800 731 0297

Carer's Credit

Carer's Credit is a National Insurance credit that helps with gaps in your National Insurance record. Your State Pension is based on your National Insurance record. To qualify for Carer's Credit, you must be looking after one or more people for a total of at least 20 hours per week. Each person you care for must get one of the following:

- Disability Living Allowance care component at the middle or highest rate.
- Attendance Allowance.

- Constant Attendance Allowance.
- Personal Independence Payment daily living component, at the standard or enhanced rate.
- Armed Forces Independence Payment.

For more information, visit **www.gov.uk/carers-credit** or call the Carer's Allowance Unit.

Council Tax help

There are several ways you may be able to get help with your Council Tax. See further information about Council Tax/Rate relief from Carers UK.

Financial help for the person you are looking after

See this Guide's information about benefits beginning on page 110 to make sure that the person you are caring for is receiving all the benefits and discounts that they are entitled to.

The following organisations offer help and advice on a range of financial issues affecting carers.

Carers UK

Tel: **0808 808 7777 •** Web: www.carersuk.org/help-and-advice (see 'Financial support').

Turn2us

Tel: **0808 802 2000 •** Web: www.turn2us.org. uk/Your-Situation (select 'Carer').

Conditions, disabilities and end of life care

Autism

Autism is a lifelong developmental condition, sometimes referred to as Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Many people with ASD will share some difficulties but it will affect them in different ways. Asperger syndrome is a diagnosis previously given to certain Autistic people. ASD is now the most common diagnosis. Some people with ASD may also have other conditions. This may include a learning disability or Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

Difficulties faced by people with Autism

ASD will affect people in different ways. But people with Autism share four main areas of difficulty:

- Social communication they have difficulty understanding facial expressions or tone of voice.
 They can take common phrases or sayings like 'It's raining cats and dogs' literally.
- Social interaction they have difficulty making friends. They do not understand the rules of social contact.
- Social imagination they have difficulty understanding and interpreting thoughts, feelings and actions of others. They can also find it hard to predict what will happen next. This makes it challenging for them to prepare for change and plan for the future.
- Sensory processing and integration they are likely to have difficulty in sensory processing. This is the way the nervous system receives messages from the senses and turns them into appropriate responses. This affects emotions and the ability to perform certain tasks and manage behavioural and emotional responses. They may also present sensory seeking or sensory avoiding behaviour.

Getting a diagnosis

A diagnosis is the formal identification of Autism. This will be by a health professional such as a paediatrician or psychiatrist. Having a diagnosis is helpful for two reasons:

• It helps people with Autism, and their families, to understand why they may experience certain difficulties and what they can do about them.

• It enables people to access services and support.

You can find out more about diagnosis on the NHS website. Visit **www.nhs.uk** (search 'Getting diagnosed as Autistic'). Your GP, Community Mental Health Team or adult social care department can refer you to Autism Hampshire for diagnosis and support. An information line is available Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 5.00pm to offer advice, support and signposting. Call **023 8076 6162**.

Social activities and shopping

For local groups and activities aimed specifically at people with Autism, Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory can help. Visit **www. connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories**(select 'Choose your category' then 'Specific needs' and 'Autism/Asperger syndrome').

Other opportunities include:

- Dimensions UK offers Autism-friendly film screenings. See page 27 for more information.
- The Mayflower Theatre offers a number of 'relaxed performances' designed for people with Autism, learning difficulties or other sensory and communication needs. There is also a video, developed with Autism Hampshire, about a trip to the theatre at www.mayflower.org.uk/yourvisit/accessibility
- Morrisons has introduced a 'Quieter Hour' in all their stores every Saturday for those who struggle with music and other noise. Visit https://my.morrisons.com/blog/community/ quieter-hour
- The National Autistic Society offers specific advice on how to deal with a range of everyday activities.
 Visit www.autism.org.uk (search 'Leisure').
- The Sunflower Lanyard. See page 25 for more information.

Staying safe from crime and abuse

A hate crime is when someone commits a crime against you because of your disability, gender

identity, race, sexual orientation, religion, or any other perceived difference. Mate crime is the exploitation, abuse or theft from any vulnerable person by those they consider to be their friends. Those that commit such abuse or theft are often referred to as 'fake friends'. Mate crime is most prevalent when the victim has a mental disability and is especially common when that disability is Autism.

Useful to know:

- Hampshire Police offers guidance on how to prevent and deal with hate crime or mate crime.
 Visit www.hampshire.police.uk/advice (search 'Hate crime').
- You can also report hate crime or hate incidents to a community organisation in your area, if you do not feel comfortable contacting the police. Visit www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk (search 'Hate crime quiz').
- Safe Place is a scheme to help people with learning disabilities. You can go to a Safe Place if you get lost, scared or upset when you are out on your own. There are safe places around Hampshire and Southampton. Visit www.hants.gov.uk (search 'Safe place') or www.southampton.gov.uk (search 'Safe places').
- Hampshire Safeguarding Adults Board (HSAB)
 has a website with resources and guidance about
 staying safe and mate crime. Visit
 www.hampshiresab.org.uk

Staying safe from crime and abuse is covered more generally in the 'Protecting adults at risk' section of the Guide, beginning on page 116.

Autism Hampshire

Provides a range of services for people with Autism and their families. This includes the Local Autism Directory; the Autism Alert Programme; and the Spectra5 Autism Assistance app. The organisation also has an Autism e-learning course aimed at everyone coming into regular contact with people on the spectrum and their families. It takes approximately one hour to complete.

Tel: 023 8076 6162

Web: www.autismhampshire.org.uk or www.autismhampshire.org.uk/free-e-learning-autism-training

Hampshire Autism Partnership Board (HAPB)

The HAPB was set up in 2010, in response to the Government's National Autism Strategy. Its role is to address the issues specific to Autism in Hampshire.

Web: www.hampshireautismvoice.org.uk/ HampshireAutismPartnershipBoard

National Autistic Society, The

Provides help and advice and has an online national directory of Autism services, support and training from providers across the UK.

Web: www.autism.org.uk

Learning disabilities

A learning disability is a permanent condition. It affects a person's ability to understand information, learn new skills or communicate. It can also affect how they manage daily living. A learning disability can be genetic. It could be due to illness or physical damage to brain development either before or during birth or as a young child.

Learning disabilities can be mild, moderate or severe. Some people with learning disabilities may also have other needs. Other needs may arise from physical disabilities, long-term health conditions, Autism or mental health. A diagnosis is the formal identification of learning disability. This is by a health professional such as a clinical psychologist.

Having a diagnosis may be helpful for two reasons:

- It helps those with learning disabilities to understand why they may experience some difficulties and what they can do about them.
- It enables people to access services and support.

Please contact your GP if you would like more information or help with a diagnosis.



→ Healthcare and mental health

People with learning disabilities will need health care in the same way as everyone else. Some people with a learning disability will have additional health needs. For example, people with a learning disability are more likely to have epilepsy, they may need more support to understand information about their health and they may need help to communicate symptoms and concerns and to manage their health.

Anyone who is on their GP's learning disability register can have a free health check once a year. You can ask to go on this register if you think you have a learning disability. For more information, visit **www.nhs.uk** (search 'Annual health checks').

Anxiety UK

Provides information and advice to anyone suffering from anxiety, or their families or carers.

Tel: 0344 477 5774

Web: www.anxietyuk.org.uk

EasyHealth

Its website has over 300 leaflets, and some videos, about physical and mental health for people with learning disabilities.

Web: www.easyhealth.org.uk

Health Swap app

An easy and fun way for people with a learning disability, and their parents or carers, to make positive changes to their lifestyle. It helps you find ways to eat more healthy food and to track activity whilst also improving your digital skills.

Tel: **0333 121 2300**

Web: www.dsactive.org.uk/healthy-living

Mencap

It is estimated that 40% of adults with a learning disability also have a mental health problem. Mencap can offer information and advice about mental health issues.

Tel: **0808 808 1111**

Web: www.mencap.org.uk (search 'Mental health').

Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust

Runs learning disability services in Hampshire.

Tel: **023 8231 9913**

Web: **www.southernhealth.nhs.uk** (search 'Learning disability services').

Advocacy

An advocate is a person who supports and helps you to explain things. Advocacy is discussed in more detail later in this Guide, beginning on page 92.

Advocacy People, The

An independent charity providing free, independent advocacy to help sort out issues or concerns you may have. This could be about your health and wellbeing or your health and social care services.

Tel: 0330 440 9000

Web: www.theadvocacypeople.org.uk

Hampshire Advocacy Partnership

Provides independent advocacy for vulnerable adults and children in Hampshire who are not eligible for the commissioned advocacy services.

Tel: **023 8078 3715**

Web: www.hampshireadvocacy.org.uk

Staying safe from abuse or hate crime

If you are living with Autism, see the information beginning on page 78. Staying safe from crime and abuse is covered more generally in the 'Protecting adults at risk' section of the Guide, beginning on page 116.

Relationships and sex

- The British Institute of Learning Disabilities
 (BILD) has information about friendships and
 relationships, including sexual relationships,
 to support people to live well. Call
 0121 415 6960 or visit www.bild.org.uk/
 healthysexandrelationships
- Mencap has information and advice about relationships and sexuality, including a list of recommended resources. Call **0808 808 1111** (10.00am to 3.00pm, Monday to Friday) or visit www.mencap.org.uk (search 'Sexuality and relationships').
- Disability, Pregnancy & Parenthood, a user-led registered charity, promotes better awareness and support for deaf and disabled people during pregnancy and as parents. For more information, visit www.disabledparent.org.uk

Care technology

Care technology solutions are increasingly being used to help adults with learning disabilities.

See more information about care technology beginning on page 30.

Services, support and information

You can search Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory for local groups, services and activities for people with a learning disability. Visit www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories (select 'Choose your category' then 'Specific needs' and 'Learning disabilities').

British Institute of Learning Disabilities (BILD)

Works with people and their families to help them get the support they need to lead their own lives, including sex and relationships.

Tel: **0121 415 6960** Web: **www.bild.org.uk**

Down's Syndrome Association

Helps people with Down's Syndrome as well as their families and carers.

Tel: 0333 121 2300

Web: www.downs-syndrome.org.uk

Foundation for People with Learning Disabilities

Works with people and their families to make their lives better. It has a free guide with tips on how to

stay safe on social media and online.

Web: www.learningdisabilities.org.uk/learning-disabilities (search 'Staying safe on social media').

Hampshire County Council

Services for adults with learning disabilities.

Tel: 0300 555 1386

Web: **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Help for people with learning disabilities').

Mencap

Provides support and information. You can also use its website to search for a Mencap group in Hampshire.

Tel: 0808 808 1111

Web: www.mencap.org.uk

Portsmouth City Council

Services for adults with learning disabilities.

Tel: **023 9268 0810**

Web: www.portsmouth.gov.uk (search

'Learning disability').

Southampton City Council

Tel: **023 8083 3003**

Web: www.southampton.gov.uk (search

'Learning disability').

Dementia

Dementia is not a specific disease. It's a term that describes a wide range of symptoms associated with a decline in memory or other thinking skills. It is called dementia if the decline is severe enough to reduce a person's ability to perform everyday activities.

Alzheimer's disease accounts for 60 to 80% of dementia cases. Vascular dementia, which occurs after a stroke, is the second most common dementia type. There are many other conditions that can cause symptoms of dementia. Some of these are reversible, such as thyroid problems and vitamin deficiencies.

Dementia affects around 850,000 people in the UK. It usually occurs in people aged over 65, but it's not a natural part of ageing. Dementia need not stop you living a full and fulfilling life. Many people with dementia continue to work, have hobbies and socialise.

Further information about types of dementia is available from Alzheimer's Society. Call **0333 150 3456** or visit **www.alzheimers.org.uk** (select 'About dementia' then 'Types of dementia').

Dementia symptoms

Dementia is often associated with memory loss, but different types of dementia can have a variety of symptoms. These are some of the possible symptoms of dementia:

- Memory loss.
- Difficulty with tasks that need organisation and planning.
- Becoming confused about place or time, particularly in unfamiliar environments.
- Difficulty finding the right words or following conversations.

- → Changes in personality and mood.
- Difficulty judging distance or seeing objects differently to how they are.
- Hallucinations and delusions.
- Muscle wasting, changes to balance and posture or difficulty in physical movement.

You can find more information about the symptoms of each type of dementia on the NHS website. Visit **www.nhs.uk** (search 'Dementia').

The Alzheimer's Research UK website has a helpful visual diagram that allows you to tour the brain. You can find out how dementia can affect different areas of the brain. Visit **www.alzheimersresearchuk.org** (search 'Brain tour').

If you are worried about memory loss

It is important to know that there are many reasons for memory loss apart from dementia. Many of us become more forgetful as we get older and need a bit longer to remember things. For most people, these changes will be the result of normal ageing and won't be down to dementia. Stress, tiredness, illness and some medication can also affect your memory.

If you are concerned about memory loss, you should visit your GP. Dementia is a progressive disease; the symptoms get worse over time. It is important to get a diagnosis as soon as possible. You may be able to get treatment to slow down the progress of the disease. This will also allow you more time to plan for the future and to access support to help you live well with the condition.

Your GP may want to refer you on for further tests. This referral could be to a Community Mental Health Team made up of several different specialists. They may carry out a scan or more in-depth memory tests.

If you are diagnosed with dementia, they will be able to plan your care with you. This could include medication, memory courses and signposting to other services. Your GP will also be informed about your assessment and will then carry out a yearly review with you.

If you are worried that someone you know may have dementia, the NHS and Alzheimer's Society have tips for starting a conversation with them about your concerns. Visit **www.nhs.uk** (search 'Worried someone has dementia') or **www.alzheimers.org.uk** (search 'Concerned about someone else').

There may be equipment (particularly care technology such as GPS trackers and memory aids) which may help you with memory loss. See the information beginning on page 30.

If you have been diagnosed with dementia

If you, or a friend or relative, have recently been diagnosed with dementia, you may be feeling scared, anxious or sad. There is currently no 'cure' for dementia but there are several treatments available that could help. Call **0300 111 5111** or visit **www.alzheimersresearchuk.org** (select 'Dementia information' then 'Need to know more?' and 'Frequently asked questions'). It is important to know that many people who have the condition lead active, fulfilling lives.

Volunteering in the community to support people living with dementia

Anyone who is keen to make a positive difference to the lives of people living with dementia can get involved with the work of Dementia Friendly Hampshire. Call **07388 668332** or visit **www.dementiafriendlyhampshire.org.uk**

You could also learn more about dementia and become a Dementia Friend. Dementia Friends help people living with dementia by taking actions — both big and small. These actions don't have to be time-consuming. From visiting someone you know with dementia to being more patient in a shop queue, every action counts.

Dementia Friends can also get involved with things like volunteering, campaigning or wearing a badge to raise awareness. For more information, visit **www.dementiafriends.org.uk**

Alzheimer's Society

Offers a telephone support line and online advice. It also has an online discussion forum, Talking Point, for anyone affected by dementia.

Tel: 0333 150 3456 • Web: www.alzheimers.org.uk

Council Tax and dementia

Some people affected by dementia are eligible for a discount on their Council Tax bill.

Contact your local council for more information or read the fact sheet about this from the Alzheimer's Society website. • Tel: **0333 150 3456** Web: **www.alzheimers.org.uk** (search 'Council Tax and dementia').

Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory

Local and national support available for people living with dementia.

Web: www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories (select 'Choose your category' then 'Specific needs' and 'Dementia').

Dementia Friendly Hampshire

Produced by this Guide's publisher, Care Choices, Dementia Friendly Hampshire offers a practical guide to living with dementia. Available to read online or in hard copy format. • Tel: 01223 207770 Web: www.carechoices.co.uk/publication-type/dementia-guides

Dementia Support Hampshire & IOW

Provides free emotional support, information and signposting to anyone and everyone living with dementia in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

Tel: 0344 324 6589

Web: www.mydementiasupport.org

Hampshire Carer Support and Dementia Advice Service

Available to residents living in the Hampshire County Council area who have received a diagnosis of dementia. The service, provided by Andover Mind, focuses on wellbeing rather than illness and offers support and advice.

Tel: 01264 332297 (option three).

Web: **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Dementia advice service').

Iridis app

This app, developed by the University of Stirling, can make simple suggestions about adaptations to your environment that can improve the quality of life for people living with dementia.

Web: www.stir.ac.uk (search 'Iridis').

My House of Memories app

An easy-to-use app designed for, and with, people living with dementia and their families and carers. It allows you to explore objects from the

past and share memories together.

Web: **www.liverpoolmuseums.org.uk** (search 'My house of memories app').

Remind Dementia Service

If you have been diagnosed with dementia and live in the PO1 to PO6 area or have a GP within PO1 to PO6, this service can help you.

Tel: 0330 332 4030

Web: **www.solentmind.org.uk/support-for-you** (select 'Our services' then 'Remind').

Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust

Provides multi-professional assessment and treatment for people living with dementia across Hampshire. Runs Memory Matters courses for people with dementia and their carers living in Hampshire and Southampton.

Web: **www.southernhealth.nhs.uk/our-services** (select 'Mental Health Services' then 'Memory matters courses').

Sunflower Lanyard

The Sunflower Lanyard was introduced at major UK airports in 2018 to allow passengers with hidden disabilities to indicate discreetly to staff that they may need additional support or help. The use of the lanyard has spread and it is now available from several transport providers. You can pick up a free lanyard at Tesco or M&S. Alternatively, search 'Sunflower lanyard for hidden disabilities' in any online search engine.

This is me

A simple leaflet for anyone receiving professional care who is living with dementia or experiencing other communication difficulties. It can be used to record details about a person who can't easily share information about themselves.

Tel: **0333 150 3456**

Web: www.alzheimers.org.uk (search 'This is me').



Our rooms are as individual as our Residents with their choice of colours and soft furnishings making it feel like home. We have lovely, bright and airy social spaces and a great garden. We also accommodate beloved pets.

Please call to arrange a visit to discuss your individual needs.

290 Brook Lane Sarisbury Green Southampton SO31 7DP

290 Brook Lane Sarisbury Green Southampton SO31 7DP E: brooklane@btconnect.com • www.brooklaneresthome.co.uk

Telephone: 01489 576010

Physical disabilities

A physical disability is any type of physical condition that significantly affects the way you can carry out certain everyday tasks or activities. The types of physical disabilities, their causes, and the way in which they impact a person's life are wide-ranging.

Physical disabilities can be the result of congenital birth issues, accidental injury or illness. If you would like to learn more about a specific disability or related condition, a good source of information is the A-Z on the NHS website (www.nhs.uk/conditions).

You may have more than one physical condition. Additionally, a particular condition might be disabling to one person but not the next. The key aspect in defining physical disability is not whether you have a specific condition, it is how that physical condition affects your daily life.

Living with a physical disability

If your condition is affecting your mobility or your ability to carry out certain daily tasks, there is a lot of support, information and advice available:

- Visit Connect to Support Hampshire's Community
 Directory for local and national activities and
 support (www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.
 uk/directories select 'Choose your category'
 then 'Specific needs' and 'Physical disabilities').
- See the section in this Guide on 'Looking after yourself' for information and advice about help with personal care (page 37).
- Find out about help available with 'House, garden and pet care' (page 41).
- Read this Guide's information on 'Buying help at home' (page 45).

- See how specialist 'Equipment around the house' (page 30) or 'Care technology' (page 30) and 'Mobility equipment' (page 36) can help you.
- Find out about occupational therapy (page 33) and 'Adaptations to your home' (page 37).
- Find out about help you can get with 'Getting out and about' (page 22).
- Read the section on 'Money matters' (page 108) to find out about benefits and paying for care.

Disability Rights UK

A campaigning organisation providing information, services and products for disabled people. It also runs the RADAR National Key Scheme for disabled toilets; see page 14.

Tel: **020 3687 0790** (Shop).

Web:

www.disabilityrightsuk.org/how-we-can-help

GOV.UK

Disability information about employment, health, education and benefits and more.

Web: www.gov.uk (search 'Disability').

NHS website, The

Information about living with disability. Web: **www.nhs.uk** (search 'Social care and support guide').

SPECTRUM Centre for Independent Living

Run and controlled by disabled people in Hampshire, it provides services and support to make use of current provisions to enable you to live independently.

Tel: 023 8033 0982 • Minicom: 023 8020 2649

Web: www.spectrumcil.co.uk

Hearing loss and deafness

Hearing loss may be caused by several factors. This includes genetics, old age, exposure to noise, some infections, birth complications, trauma to the ear and certain medications or toxins. Deafness is usually used to refer to those with only little or no hearing.

Hearing loss can be temporary or permanent and can affect all age groups. You can find out more

about causes of hearing loss on the NHS website. Visit **www.nhs.uk** (search 'Hearing loss').

Hearing loss may be gradual, for example in age-related hearing loss. You may start to notice that you need to turn up the volume on the television. You may find it difficult to hear and understand people when you're in a noisy place.

Hearing loss can also be sudden, for example if it's caused by a viral infection of the inner ear. Some people find that their hearing loss is associated with a continual ringing in their ears (tinnitus).

If you have an infection, you may have some other symptoms, such as earache and discharge from your ears. If you think that your hearing is getting worse, you should see your GP. If you have sudden hearing loss in one or both ears, seek immediate advice. You may need urgent treatment.

Hearing tests at home

If you are housebound, or have difficulty getting to the audiology department, discuss this with your GP. They can write to the NHS audiology department and request for an audiologist to come to your home if needed.

If you get your hearing aid privately you can find a hearing aid dispenser who will do a home visit. You can search the British Society of Hearing Aid Audiologists website (**www.bshaa.org/find-an-audiologist**). Some offer free home testing, so ask before you make an appointment. Many high street retailers, such as Specsavers, can also offer home hearing tests.

RNID offers an automated telephone hearing check. Visit **www.rnid.org.uk** (search 'Hearing test'). This is designed to help identify if you have hearing loss and encourage you to act.

Equipment to help you

There is a wide range of aids and equipment that can make everyday activities and tasks easier. The RNID has information about assistive devices and technology to help you. Call **0808 808 0123** or visit **www.rnid.org.uk** (search 'Technology and assistive devices').

The Living Made Easy website has practical advice on equipment and adaptations if you have hearing loss. Call **0300 123 3084** or visit **https://livingmadeeasy.org.uk** (select 'Communicating').

Information and support

Visit Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory for details of local and national support. Visit **www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories** and select 'Choose your category' then 'Specific needs' and 'Sight or hearing loss'.

Deaf Action – South of England Office

Aims to enable deaf, deafened, deafblind and hard-of-hearing people to maintain their independence.

Tel: 023 8022 0225 • Web: www.deafaction.org

Deafblind UK

Offers information and support for people who are deafblind and their families.

Tel: **0800 132 320**

Web: www.deafblind.org.uk/get-support

DeafPlus

Offers an online information and advice hub (information in BSL and text).

Tel: 020 7790 8478

Email: adviceline@deafplus.org

Web: www.deafplus.info

Hampshire County Council

Provides teams to help with sensory loss, can carry out assessments and provide training to help you find practical solutions to problems arising from hearing loss.

Tel: **0300 555 1386 •** Textphone: **0300 555 1390** Web: **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Sight or hearing loss').

Hearing Link

Provides information, advice and community support for people with hearing loss, their families and friends. • Tel: **01844 348111**

Email: helpdesk@hearinglink.org

Web: www.hearinglink.org

Portsmouth City Council

Provides teams to help with sensory loss, can carry out assessments and provide training to help you find practical solutions to problems arising from hearing loss.

Tel: **023 9268 0810 •** Text: **07931 806986** Web: **www.portsmouth.gov.uk** (search 'Hearing or sight loss').

RAD (Royal Association for Deaf People)

Provides a wide range of services for deaf people in their first or preferred language, usually British Sign Language (BSL).

Tel: **0300 688 2525 •** Email: **info@royaldeaf.org.uk**Web: **www.royaldeaf.org.uk**

→ RNID

Provides support, advice and training for people with hearing loss and tinnitus.

Tel: **0808 808 0123** Text: **07360 268988** Web: **www.rnid.org.uk**

Sense

Offers information and support for people who are deafblind and their families.

Tel: **0300 330 9256**

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

Southampton City Council

Provides teams to help with sensory loss, can carry out assessments and provide training to help you find practical solutions to problems arising from hearing loss. • Tel: **023 8083 3003**Web: **www.southampton.gov.uk** (search 'Hearing impairment').



Deaf sign language users

Hampshire County Council's Deaf Services Team is a specialist team of social workers and care managers with sign language skills. For more information, visit **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Help with sight or hearing loss') or refer to the following contact details.

Tel: **01962 846601**

Email: deaf.services.team@hants.gov.uk

SMS: **07507 309322**Minicom: **01794 515462**Fax: **01962 814607**

Search Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory to find listings for local Deaf Clubs. Visit www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories (select 'Choose your category' then 'Specific needs' and 'Sight or hearing loss'). Advice videos in BSL:

- NHS 111 BSL service (www.signvideo.co.uk/ nhs111).
- Sign Health library of health videos (www.signhealth.org.uk/health-video-library).
- Benefits advice in BSL from the Department for Work & Pensions (DWP) (www.youtube.com/ user/dwpsign/videos – search 'Benefits advice').
- Dementia Guide from Alzheimer's Society (www.youtube.com/c/alzheimerssociety – search 'Dementia guide').
- BT SignVideo interpreting service (**bt.com/bsl**).

• BT information about using the telephone, internet and TV (search 'Including You: BT's guide to helping you communicate' in any online search engine).

Interpreting services

Deaf Action provides communication support. It has qualified interpreters, communicators, note-takers (both electronic and manual) and lip-speakers. The organisation covers a wide range of bookings. This includes medical appointments, job interviews and conferences, weddings and funerals. For more information, call

0800 014 1401 or visit https://deafaction.org (search 'Interpreting agency').

Hospital and doctor interpreting service

If you have an appointment with your GP or hospital and you need a BSL interpreter, contact your GP/ hospital to book. Please give the GP notice to book a BSL interpreter. This is funded by the local NHS trust. It is your right to have a qualified interpreter for medical appointments.

Police

For people who are deaf, hard of hearing, speech impaired or deafblind, Hampshire Constabulary offers alternative ways to get in touch. Police Link Officers are also available with sign language, lip-speaking and deafblind manual skills. They communicate with people to give information and advice and to provide a link to other police departments. Visit www.hampshire.police.uk (search 'Visual impairment, deaf or hard of hearing').

Sight loss and blindness

People with sight loss are sometimes known as blind or partially sighted. The more modern term is sight impaired or severely sight impaired. Sight loss can be caused by a variety of conditions such as macular degeneration, glaucoma, diabetes, cataracts, visual cortex disorder, genetic defects or an injury.

Different eye conditions create different difficulties. Few people are totally blind. A few have perception of light only; some have a loss of vision in the centre of their eye, others have no side vision. Some people with sight loss see everything as a blur while others have blank spots. Some have enough vision to read but may have difficulty with night vision. Sight loss can make everyday tasks harder, but help is available.

If you are having problems with your sight, go to your GP or optician as soon as possible. If necessary, they may refer you to an eye clinic or a consultant ophthalmologist. They will examine your eyes and look at possible treatments for your problem.

- Search for an NHS optician near you (www.nhs. uk/service-search/find-an-nhs-sight-test).
- NHS website: blindness and vision loss (www.nhs.uk/conditions/vision-loss).

Many local opticians will visit you in your home to carry out an eye test. Home visits to carry out an eye test are only available free on the NHS if you are unable to visit a community optometrist on your own. Find out more and search for home visit opticians in Hampshire by visiting

www.mylocaloptician.co.uk

Equipment to help you

There is a wide range of aids and equipment that can make everyday activities and tasks easier. The Living Made Easy website has practical advice on equipment and adaptations if you have sight or hearing loss. Visit **www.livingmadeeasy.org.uk** and select 'Communicating' from the menu at the top or you can call the helpline for advice on **0300 123 3084**.

There are also many apps to help people with sight loss or blindness which you can download to a

smartphone or tablet. For example:

- Dolphin EasyReader app (www.yourdolphin.com
 – search 'Easyreader app').
- Recommended apps from the RNIB (www.rnib.org.uk – search 'Helpful apps').

Information and support

Go to Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory to find local and national support. Visit **www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/ directories** (select 'Choose your category' then 'Specific needs' and 'Sight or hearing loss').

Hampshire County Council

Provides teams to help with sensory loss, and can carry out assessments and provide training to help you find practical solutions to problems arising from sight loss.

Tel: **01962 846601**

Email: deaf.services.team@hants.gov.uk

SMS: **07507 309322**Minicom: **01794 515462**

Web: www.hants.gov.uk (search 'Help with sight

or hearing loss').

Macular Society, The

Has information and local support groups for people who have been diagnosed with age-related macular degeneration.

Tel: **0300 303 0111**

Email: help@macularsociety.org
Web: www.macularsociety.org

Open Sight

Provides advice and information, home visits and phone support in Hampshire.

Tel: 023 8064 1244

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

Partially Sighted Society, The

Helps you to make the most of your remaining sight.

Tel: 01302 965195

Email: reception@partsight.org.uk

Web: www.partsight.org.uk

→ Portsmouth City Council

Provides teams to help with sensory loss, and can carry out assessments and provide training to help you find practical solutions to problems arising from sight loss.

Tel: **023 9268 0810 •** Text: **07931 806986** Web: **www.portsmouth.gov.uk** (search 'Hearing or sight loss').

Royal National Institute for the Blind, The (RNIB)

Offers information, services and support for people with sight loss.

Tel: 0303 123 9999 • Web: www.rnib.org.uk

Southampton City Council

Provides teams to help with sensory loss, can carry out assessments and provide training to help you find practical solutions to problems arising from sight loss. • Tel: **023 8083 3003**Web: **www.southampton.gov.uk** (search 'Visual impairment').

Books, documents, TV and cinema

Most libraries have books in large as well as standard print and a range of audio books. Audio described DVDs and a range of audio newspapers and magazines are also available. Find out more by visiting your local authority's website.

Talking Newspapers are available at your library or can be sent to you directly.

Find out if your local newspaper is available in audio format here (www.tnf.org.uk/find-a-talking-newspaper). Alternatively, you can call 01793 497555 or email enquiries@tnf.org.uk

Also, see the information about apps and technology in the 'Equipment to help you around the house' section, included earlier in this Guide on page 30.

You may find it easier to have audio versions (tape or CD), Braille, or large print versions of any documents you receive (for example, from your bank or building society). Speak to the organisation that has produced them and ask for the document to be provided in your preferred format.

If you are struggling to see what is on your television, audio description (AD) can help you. AD is commentary that describes body language, expressions and movements, making the programme clear through sound. Broadcasters (like the BBC, Channel 4 and Sky) must add AD to 20% of their programmes.

Many cinemas are also equipped with a system that delivers audio description (AD) through a headset, which is provided when you collect your ticket. You can find out more from the RNIB. Visit **www.rnib.org.uk** (search 'Audio description'). Alternatively, you can call the helpline on **0303 123 9999** or email **helpline@rnib.org.uk**

Training and employment

Getting help and advice

Your physical and learning disabilities need not prevent you finding a rewarding job. There are organisations that can help you to find training and employment opportunities.

Useful national contacts

Disability Rights UK

Has information covering all aspects of employment for disabled people.

Web: www.disabilityrightsuk.org/careers-and-work-disabled-people

FutureLearn

Offers several online courses, including how to succeed at interviews.

Web: www.futurelearn.com/courses/interviews

GOV.UK

The Government has information about support, programmes and grants to help you find work if you are disabled. Programmes include Access to Work and Specialist Employability Support.

Web: www.gov.uk/looking-for-work-if-disabled

Job Centre Plus

You can get help and advice from the Disability Employment Adviser at your Job Centre Plus.

Web: www.jobcentreguide.co.uk

Learndirect

Has details of hundreds of online courses that can be undertaken at a time or place to suit your needs. • Tel: **01202 006464**

Web: www.learndirect.com

Mencap

Offers support, and easy read guides, for people with a learning disability looking for work.

Tel: **0808 808 1111**

Web: www.mencap.org.uk (search 'Finding a job').

Mutually Inclusive

Has a number of resources, including Easy Read guides, aimed at supporting people with learning disabilities to explore entrepreneurship and self-employment.

Web: www.mutuallyinclusive.co.uk

Prince's Trust, The

Offers support to all young people aged 18-30, wanting to start a business. • Tel: **0800 842 842** Web: **www.princes-trust.org.uk** (search 'Support starting business').

RNIF

The RNIB can help you to prepare for and look for work if you have sight loss.

Tel: **0303 123 9999 •** Email: **helpline@rnib.org.uk** Web: **www.rnib.org.uk/living-with-sight-loss**

Useful local contacts

Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory

You can find listings for organisations in Hampshire offering employment support.

Web: www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories (select 'Choose your category' then 'Education, Employment and Volunteering' and 'Employment support').

Enham Trust

Offers a wide range of services for people with disabilities, including learning programmes and employment opportunities. • Tel: **01264 345800**

Web: www.enhamtrust.org.uk

Stable Family Home Trust, The

Runs a personal development programme which aims to help adults with learning disabilities to gain skills.

Tel: 01425 478043 • Web: www.sfht.org.uk

Yateley Industries

Provides supported training and employment for people with disabilities. • Tel: **01252 872337** Web: **www.yateleyindustries.org**

Hampshire Futures

Hampshire Futures is Hampshire County Council's apprenticeship training provider, supporting young people and adults in Hampshire to successfully take part in education, training and employment.

As a nationally approved employer training provider, on the Government's national register of approved training providers, Hampshire Futures plays a key role in the delivery of high-quality apprenticeships across all the County Council's departments, as well as Hampshire's maintained schools. For more information, visit **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Participation and lifelong learning').

Volunteering

Volunteering can be a great way of undertaking training and learning transferrable skills for future employment opportunities. See page 29 for more information about volunteering in Hampshire.

Computer equipment for disabled people

The use of specialist equipment can make it easier for disabled people to use a computer for work or educational activities. The Disabled Living Foundation's website Living Made Easy has information about computers and other equipment to assist you. Call **0300 123 3084** or visit **www. livingmadeeasy.org.uk** and select 'Communicating'.

AbilityNet is a national charity that helps disabled people to use computers and the internet by adapting and adjusting their technology. It also has a set of guides 'My Computer My Way' for setting up adapted modes (such as text to speech, large print and switch access). For more information, call **0800 048 7642** or visit https://mcmw.abilitynet.org.uk

Everyone Can provides free and impartial advice and support on technology for disabled people. Call **0808 800 0009** or visit **www.everyonecan.org.uk** for more information. Some equipment may qualify for VAT relief. The supplier will be able to tell you. Other job sites:

- Council jobs in Hampshire (www.hants.gov.uk/jobs).
- Jobs in education in Hampshire (www.hants.gov.uk/jobs/education-jobs).
- Apprenticeships (www.hants.gov.uk/jobs/apprenticeships).
- National Careers Service (https://nationalcareers. service.gov.uk or call 0800 100 900).

End of life care

The NHS website has an end of life guide for people who are approaching the end of their life (www.nhs.uk – search 'End of life care'). This includes how and where you want to be cared for, financial issues, planning ahead and searching for local hospices (www.nhs.uk – search 'Hospice care'). Some parts of it may also be useful for people who are caring for someone who is dying, or people who want to plan in advance for their end of life care.

You can also find information about your rights and choices, including refusing treatment, setting down your wishes for your future treatment and how to give someone the legal right to make decisions for you if you are no longer capable. The guide also contains information about talking to your family and carers about dying and about your wishes.

Hampshire Libraries have launched five Death Positive Hubs in Hampshire, which aim to remove the barriers to talking about death and dying. Visit **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Death positive libraries').

End of life support

Connect to Support Hampshire's Community
Directory contains details of many local and national
organisations providing end of life support services.
Visit www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/
directories (select 'Choose your category' then
'Specific needs' and 'End of life').

In addition, many of the home care agencies listed in this Guide, beginning on page 51, may be able to offer end of life or 'palliative' care.

Macmillan Cancer Support

Offers information and support to anyone who has been diagnosed with cancer, their families and carers. If you need to talk, call the free helpline.

Tel: 0808 808 0000

Web: www.macmillan.org.uk

Macmillan in Hampshire

Offers practical and financial support locally. This includes Information and Support Centres at Southampton General Hospital and Queen Alexandra Hospital which provide complimentary treatments, advice and information and volunteers to lend a listening ear.

Web: **www.macmillan.org.uk** (search 'Local support').

Southampton General Hospital Macmillan support

Tel: **023 8120 6037**

Email: macmillancentre@uhs.nhs.uk

Queen Alexandra Hospital Macmillan support

Tel: **023 9228 3323**

Email: macmillancentre@porthosp.nhs.uk

Marie Curie Cancer Care

A charity dedicated to the care of people with terminal illness. Marie Curie provides high-quality end of life care through its Marie Curie Nursing Service and Hospices. If you are living with a terminal illness and need support, you can call the support line. If you would like a Marie Curie nurse to provide care to you at home, speak to your GP or District Nurse. • Tel: **0800 090 2309**Web: www.mariecurie.org.uk

Rowans Hospice Charity – Living Well Centre

The Living Well Centre supports people aged 18 and above, who live in Portsmouth and South East Hampshire and are living with a life-limiting and progressive illness, regardless of diagnosis. Services also include support to friends and family members during any stage of illness, including bereavement. The team of nurses, complementary therapists and trained volunteers offer guidance and support, workshops, classes and treatments. This is a drop-in service, and no referral is needed. Open 10.00am to 4.00pm from Monday to Sunday.

Purbrook Heath Road, Waterlooville PO7 5RU

Tel: **023 9224 8011**

Email: lwc@rowanshospice.co.uk
Web: www.rowanshospice.co.uk



Bereavement

Registering a death

Dealing with the loss of a loved one is one of the most painful things most of us will face. There are, however, certain people and organisations that need to be told and specific documents and practical arrangements that need to be completed.

You will need to register a person's death at a register office in the district where the death occurred within five days, unless there are exceptional circumstances, or the coroner is involved. For more information, visit **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Register a death') or call **0300 555 1392**.

The Bereavement Advice Centre supports and advises people on what they need to do after a death. Call **0800 634 9494** or visit **www.bereavementadvice.org**

The Bereavement Register is a free service to remove the name and address of someone who has passed from mailing lists to prevent junk mail. Call **0800 082 1230** (automated telephone line registration service) or visit

www.thebereavementregister.org.uk

Bereavement support

Everyone deals with bereavement differently and you may experience a whole range of emotions. Support is available to help you through this difficult time.

Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory

Local and national bereavement services can be found online.

Web: www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories (select 'Choose your category' then 'Specific needs' and 'Bereavement').

Cruse Bereavement Care

Provides practical advice and support to help bereaved people and enables anyone bereaved to understand their grief and cope with their loss.

Tel: **0808 808 1677** Web: **www.cruse.org.uk**

GOV.UK

You may be eligible for funeral or bereavement payments.

Web: www.gov.uk/browse/benefits/bereavement

Independent Age

Produces an advice guide on coping with bereavement. • Tel: **0800 319 6789**Web: **www.independentage.org** (search 'Coping with bereavement').

NHS website, The

Advice on coping with bereavement from the NHS.

Web: www.nhs.uk (search 'Bereavement').

Samaritans

Volunteers are available 24 hours a day to talk to you if you are feeling distressed. Call the free telephone number. • Tel: **116 123**

Simon Says

Hampshire charity offering support to children who have been bereaved. • Tel: **023 8064 7550**

Web: www.simonsays.org.uk

Veterans Bereavement Support

Provides free advice and information for Emergency Services and ex-service personnel.

Tel: **07885 498462 •** Email:

info@veteransbereavementsupport.co.uk Web: www.veteransbereavementsupport.com

WAY Widowed & Young

A charity supporting bereaved partners aged 50

and under. • Tel: 0300 201 0051

Web: www.widowedandyoung.org.uk



Advocacy and Powers of Attorney

Advocacy services

An advocate is a person who supports and helps you to explain and say what you want if you find it difficult to do by yourself. Advocates can help you:

- Access information and services.
- Be involved in decisions about your life.
- Explore choices and options.
- Defend and promote your rights and responsibilities.
- Speak out about issues that matter to you.

Finding an advocate

Hampshire Advocacy Partnership provides independent advocacy for vulnerable adults and children in Hampshire who are not eligible for the commissioned advocacy services. Discuss your referral with a senior member of the team. Call **023 8078 3715**, email hello@hampshireadvocacy.org.uk or visit www.hampshireadvocacy.org.uk

Statutory advocacy services

Local authorities and health providers have a duty to provide access to advocacy services under the Care Act (to enable everyone to be involved in the social care process) and under the Mental Capacity Act (to help certain people to make specific decisions) and can refer you to one of these services.

Hampshire County Council

Web: **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Advocacy under the care act' and 'Advocacy under the mental capacity act').

Portsmouth City Council

Web: **www.portsmouth.gov.uk** (search 'Mental capacity act').

Southampton City Council

Web: **www.southampton.gov.uk** (search 'The care act' and 'Types of advocacy').

Powers of Attorney

Making future decisions

You may wish to prepare for a time when you can no longer manage the running of your day-to-day affairs or make decisions about your property and finances, or about your health and welfare. You can make a Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) and can choose one or more people you trust to deal with all or some of your property and financial affairs or health and welfare when, and if, it becomes a problem for you. You must apply for an LPA while you have 'capacity' to do so.

People often appoint more than one 'attorney' to act for them. This guards against abuse of the wide powers over property and finance that the Power of Attorney gives. It can also be a good idea because people may have different skills relating to property, finance or health and welfare. Attorneys may act 'jointly' (where they must all sign all transactions) or 'jointly and severally' where only one person needs to sign. If you change your mind later about the

person or people you have chosen, you can revoke the document.

There are two types of LPA:

- LPA for financial decisions.
- LPA for health and care decisions.

Enduring Power of Attorney (EPA) was replaced by LPA in October 2007. If you have already made an EPA or are acting on behalf of someone under an EPA, it will still be valid under the new legislation unless the person who made it decides to destroy it and replace it with an LPA. An EPA must be registered when the person loses mental capacity to make decisions about their property and finances if it is to be used.

LPA for financial decisions

An LPA for financial decisions can be used while you still have mental capacity, or you can state that you

only want it to come into force if you lose capacity. An LPA for financial decisions can cover things such as:

- Buying and selling property.
- Paying the mortgage.
- Investing money.
- Paying bills.
- Arranging repairs to property.

You can restrict the types of decisions your attorney can make or let them make all decisions on your behalf. If you're setting up an LPA for financial decisions, your attorney must keep accounts and make sure their money is kept separate from yours. You can ask for regular details of how much is spent and how much money you have. These details can be sent to your solicitor or a family member if you lose mental capacity. This offers an extra layer of protection.

LPA for health and care reasons

It is a common belief that the person nominated as our 'next of kin' can make decisions for us if we are unable to make them for ourselves. However, in law 'next of kin' has no legal standing and such decisions cannot be made by our friends or family unless we have put the appropriate legal arrangements in place.

A Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) for Health and Welfare is a legal document which can be made to cover a loss of mental capacity in relation to decisions about health and welfare on a temporary or permanent basis.

It is important to plan ahead and set up a Lasting Power of Attorney now to enable a person of your choosing to make health and welfare decisions on your behalf should you lose mental capacity to make these decisions for yourself. An attorney can generally make decisions about things such as:

- Where you should live.
- Your medical care.
- What you should eat.
- Who you should have contact with.
- What kind of social activities you should take part in.

You can also give special permission for your attorney to make decisions about life-saving treatment.

How to arrange an LPA

You don't have to use a solicitor to create an LPA. There is an online service on the Government's website (**www.gov.uk** – search 'Make a lasting power of attorney') guiding you through the process of making an LPA. If you need help deciding whether to make an LPA, call **0300 456 0300**.

It is free to complete your LPA online, but your LPA cannot be used until it's registered. There's an £82 application fee to register each LPA. If the donor has an income of below £12,000, or gets certain benefits, they might qualify for a lower fee, or the fee might be waived altogether.

For an LPA to be valid it needs to be signed and witnessed by all people mentioned on the LPA. The online tool (**www.gov.uk** – search 'Make a lasting power of attorney') makes it simpler to do the first part, the filling in of the form, but you will need to print the form out to get the necessary signatures. A printed, signed LPA has to be registered with the Office of the Public Guardian before it can be used.

If you want to make a property and financial affairs LPA and a health and welfare LPA these will form two separate documents. If you want to use a solicitor, you'll need to pay them to complete the form for you. Fees for creating an LPA vary, so you might want to contact a few to compare their fees and the service they offer. An LPA can take effect:

- Immediately or when you lose mental capacity to make the decisions about your property and finance and this can be specified (property and financial affairs LPA).
- Only when you lose mental capacity to make those decisions for yourself (health and welfare LPA).

The Court of Protection

The Court of Protection (**www.gov.uk** – search 'Court of protection') can make decisions about the finances and welfare of people who cannot make decisions for themselves. If someone only has income from benefits and no capital, then their affairs can be managed by an Appointee – through

the Department for Work and Pensions. If they have capital (e.g. savings) then a court-appointed deputy will be required. You can apply to the Court of Protection if your friend or relative:

- Is mentally incapable of managing their own financial or welfare affairs.
- Has not made an Enduring or Lasting Power of Attorney (EPA) and is now mentally incapable of doing so.
- Has assets that need to be used for his or her

benefit or administered in some way or has complex welfare decisions that cannot be resolved in any other way.

The Court will either make a one-off decision or they will appoint a Deputy to manage and administer the person's property and financial affairs. Please note, the Court of Protection does not offer legal advice. For help in understanding the contents of this section of the Guide, you should contact a solicitor.

Care homes and other housing options

About care homes and nursing homes

Considering your options

Finding the right care is important. The decision to move into residential care is often made at a time of crisis or when it seems that you have exhausted all other options. But moving into a care home is a big step. It is important that you research all the available care and support options before making a final decision.

A short stay, or trial period, in a care home may give you time to think. You can arrange this directly with the care home. If you are having difficulty managing at home due to a recent hospital stay or illness, a short-term service from your local authority to help you get back on your feet and doing things for yourself again, may be all you need. See page 19 for more information about leaving hospital and returning home. Considering your options:

- Have you considered all the benefits and drawbacks of home care versus a care home?
- Have you thought through all the financial implications of moving to a care home: How much will it cost? How will you pay? Will you have to sell your home? What will happen if your money runs out? See 'Paying for care' beginning on page 108.
- Did you know you might be able to have your home adapted to make it easier to get around?
 See 'Adaptations to your home' beginning on page 37.
- Are you in a position to consider downsizing? This could release equity making it easier to afford some help with housework and maintenance.

- Have you investigated all the support options available to help you look after yourself as well as your house, garden and pets? See the 'Managing at home' section beginning on page 37.
- Have you explored what equipment is available which may help you to manage daily tasks? See 'Equipment and adaptations' beginning on page 30.
- Have you considered all the care technology you can have installed in your home to keep you safe? There are pendant alarms, falls detectors, motion sensors and much more. See 'Care technology' beginning on page 30.
- Have you found out what support is available for specific conditions and disabilities? See 'Conditions, disabilities and end of life care' beginning on page 78.
- Have you researched other residential options where care is available? Such as Extra Care (see page 101)? See 'Other housing options' beginning on page 102.
- Have you considered employing a Personal Assistant? See page 46.
- Have you searched Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory for local support groups and services? Visit www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/ directories

National Careline, The

Provides support and information to the elderly, their carers and families on a range of issues.

Helpline: 0800 069 9784

Email: office@thenationalcareline.org
Web: www.thenationalcareline.org

When a care home is the best choice

If you, or the person you care for, is no longer able to live at home and to stay safe – even with the help of family, friends and paid carers – it may be time to think about a care home. This can often be a very difficult decision, especially for relatives. But it is important to remember that you are acting in the best interests of the person you support.

There can also be many positives to living in a care home or nursing home. A care home will have staff who can provide continuous, 24-hour support. A care home with nursing will also have a registered nurse on site 24 hours a day. There are also important social benefits of living in a care home. Residents can meet one another and join in group activities.

You can contact your local adult social care department for further advice. It can carry out a care needs assessment and will be able to advise you if residential care is the most suitable option. If you would like some help in finding the right care home for you, you could use a free care brokerage organisation such as CHS Healthcare. Call **0800 008 7193** or visit **www.carehomeselection.co.uk**

Choosing the right home

You will want to consider:

- 1. Your care needs The most important factor you will want to consider is the ability of the home to meet your care needs:
- What type of care do you need e.g. for old age, physical disability, dementia, learning disability?
 Focus on homes that are registered for these specific needs.
- Will you need nursing care now or in the future? Some residential care homes offer nursing care, and some do not, so it is important to understand whether you need this. Talk to your doctor or hospital consultant for professional advice if you think you may need nursing care.

- **2.** Inspection reports:
- All care homes and nursing homes must be registered with the Care Quality Commission (CQC) who regulate and inspect them. Before arranging to visit any homes, search for the home on the CQC website (www.cqc.org.uk). Check that they are still registered with CQC and read their latest inspection report.
- 3. Long- and short-stay care:
- As well as providing residential care, some homes offer short-term stays for convalescence care, or to give you or your carer a break. Residential care can often last a long time, so you need to bear in mind the implications of any move including its financial impact at the beginning.
- You may want to think about looking for homes that offer both personal and nursing care. That way you could stay in the same home if you need nursing care in the future.
- 4. Where you live:
- Choosing a care home in the area you currently live in would mean that you would still be able to see your friends and keep your doctor. If your family live in another area, you might want to move to a home nearer to them.
- **5.** The size of the home and facilities and services offered:
- Care homes vary greatly in their size. Some
 have as many as 100 people with many facilities
 and activities while others are more like a small
 family home with just one or two residents.
 There are also some homes that are willing to
 accommodate couples in their double rooms.

6. Pets:

- You may have a pet that you would like to take with you. You need to check whether this would be possible. If not, ask if the home will allow others to bring pets in to visit you. If you cannot keep your pet with you, you might ask a family member, neighbour or friend to help.
- Other sources of help include the RSPCA (call 0300 123 4999 or visit www.rspca.org.uk/home), Dogs Trust (call 0300 303 2188 or visit www.dogstrust.org.uk) and The Cinnamon Trust (call 01736 757900 or visit www.cinnamon.org.uk).



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Acacia House Nursing Home

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Southlands Nursing Home

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Tel: 023 9248 3036

Two Beeches Nursing Home

2 Wallis Road, Waterlooville, Hampshire, PO7 7RX

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Tel: 023 9223 2706

Woodlands Ridge Nursing Home

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Southampton, Hampshire, S040 7GL
woodlands.ridge@contemplation.group

Tel: 023 8029 2475



→ Visiting a care home

- 1. Before you visit, speak to the manager and check:
- They offer the kind of care you want.
- They are registered to provide the type of care you need.
- What their charges are and what they cover.
- They have the kind of room you are looking for.
- Whether they have a vacancy.
- Whether they are happy to arrange a trial period.

2. Book a visit:

Arrange to visit the home. This will give you a chance to meet the staff and residents and talk to them about the home. It is essential that you are happy in the home you choose to live in. If you are not physically well enough to visit the home, you should ask someone who knows what you want to visit on your behalf.

3. Plan your questions:

You will have a lot to think about on your first visit. Your first impressions of staff and residents are important. You'll also want to note the physical features of the building, details of the rooms, arrangements about personal possessions and day-to-day life as well as financial matters. It is a good idea to think of all the questions you may have before you go and to take them with you when you visit. This Guide includes a checklist of useful questions to consider asking of a care home before you make any final decisions; see page 105.

Contracts and agreements

You should make sure that before you move into a home you are given a contract or resident's agreement. This should be signed by you or your representative and by the homeowner or manager, or his or her representative.

The contract should confirm exactly what you will be paying each week and what that charge covers. For example, it might tell you that laundry for bedding and clothes is included, but that any dry cleaning would be charged extra. You need to be clear about all extra charges before you move in, and how and

when the price you pay will be reviewed. You should always ask to see a copy of the home's standard contract/agreement when you visit and discuss how and when the price you pay will be reviewed. The contract should also tell you:

- When you should pay your fees or other costs

 for example, monthly in advance or after you have received an invoice.
- How you can pay the fees for example, by standing order.
- What happens if you have to go into hospital.
- When and how the contract/agreement can be ended.
- What you should do if you have complaints about the home or about the way you are treated.

Arrange a trial period

If you are planning to give up your home and move into a care home, don't make a hasty decision. When you have found what you think is the right home for you, arrange to spend a trial period there for a few weeks before you make your final decision.

Even if you go into a home in an emergency, you should still think about your first four weeks as a trial period. You should not arrange to sell or give up the tenancy on your existing home until after the trial period and when you are sure that you have found the right care home for you.

Living in a care home

Once you have moved into a care home, it can take a while to settle in as this will have been a major change in your life. It will take some time for you, the staff and other residents to get to know each other and for you to get used to new routines and activities. You will also need to know what you should be able to expect from the care home and what to do if you are worried about your or someone else's safety.

If you are unsure or worried about anything, try to talk to a member of staff about your concerns. If you are a relative or friend of someone living in a care home and have concerns about the care they are receiving, try talking to the manager or whoever is in charge.



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→ All care providers must have procedures for handling complaints. If you are not satisfied with the way your complaint has been handled, you can ask the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman (LGO) to investigate.

Helpline: **0300 061 0614** (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 10.00am to 1.00pm; and Wednesday, 1.00pm to 4.00pm).

Web: www.lgo.org.uk

If you are worried about someone's safety, make your concerns known to a person in authority who you feel comfortable talking to. If you have concerns or want to report abuse, contact your adult social care department or call the police on **101**. In an emergency, or if you or someone else is in immediate danger, phone **999**. Hampshire Safeguarding Adults Board (HSAB) has information about Safeguarding Adults in Hampshire, including advice, leaflets and policy documents. Visit **www.hampshiresab.org.uk**

Your rights

The Care Quality Commission (CQC) monitors, inspects and regulates health and social care services, protecting people's health, wellbeing and human rights, and enabling them to live free from harm, abuse and neglect.

The CQC outlines its fundamental standards of care online (**www.cqc.org.uk** – search 'The fundamental standards') or call **0300 061 6161**.

Moving to a care home in another area when your council is funding your care

If your council has agreed to fund you in a care home you are free to choose a home anywhere in England, Wales, or Scotland. For example, you may wish to move to be near your family or back to the area where you were brought up. If you move to another area, you will need to arrange for a cross-border placement with the council. If a council is paying your fees, and you move to a different area, you will always be paid for by the council that originally assessed your needs.

The Care Act ensures that people receive proper 'continuity of care' when they move from one place to another. This 'continuity' means that a person receiving care and support in one area will continue to receive care on the day of their arrival in the new area. If you want to move to another area, you (or someone on your behalf) must tell the council where you plan to live in future (known as the 'second council') about your intentions.

After the second council has been informed and is satisfied that the intention to move is genuine,



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Care homes will sometimes charge a different rate if a person is being paid for by the council compared with a person who is paying his/her own fees.

Therefore, when you are looking for a care home place, it is important to tell the care home that your fees will be the responsibility of your local council. First Stop provides a telephone advice line for older people, their families and carers about housing and care options for later life. Call **0800 377 7070**.

Paying for care in a care home

It is very important that you consider all the financial aspects of moving into a care home, whether you are funding the costs yourself or you are eligible for funding from the NHS or your local authority. It is strongly advised that you read the 'Paying for care' information beginning on page 108.

Advice for carers, families and friends

Making the right decision

Many people arrange their own care but often it is a family member or friend who asks the questions and becomes closely involved in helping someone move into residential care. You may be trying to make arrangements from a distance, or you may be living with a person who has many care needs, and it may be difficult for you to come to the decision that residential care is what your relative or friend needs.

Before making a final decision and looking for a care home, it's a good idea to explore other options as there may be an alternative. See the information in the 'Managing at home' information section beginning on page 37.

Financial implications

Residential care can often last a long time, so it is important that your relative or friend (or their legal representative) considers the implications of any move, including its financial consequences, at the beginning so as to try to avoid a move at a later date. See the information on paying for care in the 'Money matters' information section beginning on page 108.

Continuing to care

You will want to continue supporting your friend or relative when they are living in a care home. Here are some things to think about:

 Your relative or friend should get an annual review of the care they need, so ask to be present at discussions.

- If you want to do an activity with your friend or relative talk to the home about the best way you can do this.
- Keep an eye on the inspection reports.
- Ask when the inspectors are making their next visit so that you can meet them and talk to them.

Useful contact

Care Rights UK

Provides information, advice and support to people using care services, and their relatives and friends.

Helpline: **0207 359 8136** (Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 1.00pm; and Thursday, 6.00pm to 8.00pm).

Email: helpline@carerightsuk.org
Web: www.carerightsuk.org

You may also find the 'Carers' information section beginning on page 74 helpful.



Extra Care housing

Extra Care housing is designed for people who need some extra help to look after themselves, but not at the level provided by residential care homes. People living in Extra Care housing enjoy the freedom and independence of having their own front door, with the reassurance that care staff are available.

The type of care and housing offered will vary from scheme to scheme. Care staff will usually be on call 24 hours a day, to provide personal care as and when you need it. Personal care includes things like washing and dressing, but not medical care that would need to be provided by a qualified nurse.

Extra Care accommodation can be provided by a local council, a housing association or a private company. You can rent, buy, or part-own it, either by yourself or as a couple.

Key features of Extra Care Housing

- Residents are usually aged 55 or over and can live safely on their own with some support.
- The accommodation consists of self-contained adapted flats or bungalows.
- Care and support staff are available up to 24 hours a day, often based on site, and provide personal care and domestic support such as cleaning and laundry services.
- Emergency alarms are placed throughout the properties and site so residents can call for help, day or night.
- There are some communal facilities and shared services, such as a lounge, dining area and garden.

Care and support

Care and support will be provided to residents in Extra Care housing. The type of help you get will depend on your needs. Some residents will be fairly independent, while others will need more regular help. If your condition changes, or you tend to have good days and bad days, the care you receive should be tailored to this.

The care provided might include help with washing, getting dressed and using the toilet, or reminders

to take medication. You may also be able to get help with shopping, laundry or other domestic tasks. The care staff may be commissioned by your local adult social care department, the housing provider or private home care agencies.

Nursing care, such as having wounds dressed, catheter care or being given medication, will not be provided by the care staff in the scheme. If you need nursing care, this may be provided by a community NHS service, such as district nurses.

Who can get Extra Care housing?

There are a limited number of Extra Care housing schemes, so you'll normally need to meet certain eligibility criteria. Privately run schemes are likely to have fewer criteria than council-run schemes. If you are purchasing an Extra Care apartment or bungalow yourself from a private provider, you may only need to meet the age criteria. If you are looking for a place in a council-run scheme, you will need:

- To be on your local council's housing register.
- To have eligible care needs as assessed by your adult social care department.

To find out about being on the housing register, you should contact the housing department of your local council (this is the council that collects your Council Tax, not Hampshire County Council). Details about council-commissioned schemes, for those with eligible care needs, can be found in the following section.

Extra Care schemes in Hampshire

Elderly Accommodation Counsel (EAC) has details of Extra Care housing schemes in Hampshire. It also offers a self-help tool called HOOP (Housing Options for Older People). This has been designed to help older people access information on a range of housing-related matters including:

- Accessing services to help you live safely and well at home.
- Adapting and improving your home to make it suitable for you.
- Exploring the options available if you wish to move.

→ Complete the online questionnaire, marking any concerns you have with your current home, and at the end you will receive personalised suggestions of local services and recommendations for further reading. If you need more support, there is the option to submit your details to EAC to ask for further advice.

Elderly Accommodation Counsel – Housing

Housing Options for Older People (HOOP).

Web: www.housingcare.org/help

If you have an older relative or friend who is unable to access information online, they may wish to speak to an EAC adviser on **0800 377 7070** (9.00am to 3.00pm, Monday to Friday).

Independent Age

Offers a fact sheet on Extra Care housing which can be read online or printed off.

Tel: 0800 319 6789

Web: www.independentage.org (search 'Extra

Care housing').

Council-commissioned schemes

Hampshire County Council

Tel: 0300 555 1386

Email: extracare@hants.gov.uk

Web: www.hants.gov.uk (search 'Extra

Care housing').

Portsmouth City Council

Tel: 023 9283 4989

Email: housing.options@portsmouthcc.gov.uk Web: www.portsmouth.gov.uk (search 'Sheltered

housing and extra care').

Southampton City Council

Tel: 023 8083 3006

Web: www.southampton.gov.uk (search 'Housing

support for older people').



Other housing options

Suitable housing

If you are finding it hard to manage in your current house or flat, you may want to consider altering it to suit your needs. See the 'Equipment and adaptations' information section beginning on page 30. If you would like information and advice on housing options for older people, Elderly Accommodation Counsel (EAC) offers a self-help tool called HOOP (Housing Options for Older People). See above.

Shelter

Gives practical housing advice and support online, in person and by phone. Expert advisers give free, confidential advice 365 days a year, helping with everything from mortgage arrears to finding a place to sleep.

Tel: **0808 800 4444** (emergency helpline). Web: https://england.shelter.org.uk

Citizens Advice

Offers information and advice about housing issues, your rights and responsibilities, renting or buying a home or finding somewhere to live,

landlords, eviction and mortgage payments and help to avoid losing your home.

Tel: **0800 144 8848** (national adviceline). Web: **www.citizensadvice.org.uk/housing**

Council housing

You can apply for council housing through your local council's housing department (this is your borough, district or city council, not the County Council). You will usually have to join a waiting list and you are not guaranteed to get a property.

Housing associations

Housing associations are private, non-profit-making organisations that provide low-cost housing for people in need of a home. Although independent, they are regulated by the Government and often receive public funding. Many housing associations also run shared ownership schemes to help those who cannot afford to buy a home outright.

You can apply directly to a housing association, or often through your local council. You can apply to more than one housing association at a time.

Once you apply, you will be put on a waiting list. Housing associations normally offer housing to people most suited to that particular property. You may have to wait a long time for a suitable property to become available. More about housing association homes is provided by the Government. Visit www.gov.uk/housing-association-homes

Sheltered housing

Sheltered housing is mainly for older people and usually takes the form of a group of small bungalows or flats supervised by a scheme manager, who may or may not live on site, and who can give help and support in an emergency. Sheltered housing can be bought or rented privately, or it may be provided by a local authority, subject to eligibility.

To find out more about local authority funded sheltered housing, contact your local council's housing department. You can also search for advice on housing matters using Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory. Visit www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories and select 'Choose your category' then 'Housing/ Accommodation' and 'Advice'.

Supported Housing/Shared Living

There are some 'group living' schemes which offer communal accommodation to small groups of people in a similar situation – a kind of house-share.

Supported Housing or Shared Living can be in a service supporting usually between one and four people, though larger services do exist. Levels of support can vary from a few hours a week to 24-hour support. Basically, it is a form of support that provides a range of options for adults with intellectual disabilities to be supported in their own home with a tenancy by a qualified contracted provider.

These schemes are mainly for people with learning disabilities and for people with mental health problems. Schemes are run largely by voluntary organisations or housing associations. Generally, these schemes deliver the same kind of services as in sheltered housing. The only difference is that sheltered housing is normally associated with older people.

The objective is to provide a warm and supportive home, with the opportunity for individuals to live a more independent life and become part of a community. For more information on these schemes, please contact your adult social care department. You can also search for supported living schemes in Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory. Visit www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories (select 'Choose your category' then 'Housing/ Accommodation' and 'Supported living/Retirement housing').

Shared Lives

For those assessed as eligible by their local adult social care department, Shared Lives schemes provide a permanent home, a short stay, or day care in an ordinary home setting in the community. Shared Lives started as a scheme for adults with learning disabilities but is increasingly becoming an option for older people as well as those with physical disabilities and mental health conditions. Shared Lives schemes are always interested in hearing from those who would like to be a Shared Lives carer.

If you are interested in the Shared Lives scheme, contact your local authority or visit its website as follows and search 'Shared Lives'.

Hampshire County Council

Tel: 0300 555 1386 • Web: www.hants.gov.uk

Portsmouth City Council

Tel: **023 9261 6706**

Email: shared.lives@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

Web: www.portsmouth.gov.uk

Southampton City Council

Tel: **023 8091 7616**

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dementia.



Thalassa Nursing Care Home

Alverstoke, Gosport PO12 2NF Tel **023 9258 2382**

Enquiries to Alex Sturmey

E: thalassa@numadahealthcare.co.uk

Excellent ground floor facilities including large communal areas, assisted bathrooms and hairdressing room and now registered for dementia.



Merlin Park Residential Care Home

Alverstoke, Gosport PO12 2NJ

Tel: 023 9252 4366

Enquiries to Lisa Gascoigne

E: merlin@numadahealthcare.com



Bury Lodge Nursing Care Home – for Dementia

Gosport PO12 3PR

Tel 023 9252 8135

Enquiries to Vidul Mohan

E: burylodge@numadahealthcare.co.uk



Redclyffe House Gosport, PO12 2JX

Enquiries to Kerrie Hill

T: **023 9252 5546**

E: manager@redclyffehouse.co.uk

Numada Homecare

Gosport, PO12 1SE

Enquiries to Shelley Harlin

T: **023 9251 0011**

E: shelley.harlin@numadahomecare.co.uk





Our group of homes are owned and run as a family business which ensures a personal touch for residents and staff. We have over 20 years of experience in the care home industry. Our overall aim has always been to provide a high quality service for residents.

We employ professionals with a wealth of experience to help us achieve high standards. This includes a Director of Operations, a Director of Care and the home Managers. In addition, we work alongside a consultant for guidance and support. We are proud of our in house training department that ensures all staff receive a full induction and training. All our staff either work towards the Care Certificate or have a qualification in health and social care which ensures staff are well trained to carry out their role.

We continually invest in each of our homes to make sure that they are well furnished, comfortable and well equipped.

Within our group of homes we offer residential care, nursing care for older people including those who are terminally ill or have a physical disability, care for those living with dementia and Redclyffe House specialising in supporting people with Learning Disabilities.

In addition to the residential care we provide we also have a community based Homecare service.

Home 1			Fees per week	Quality rating*		
Home 2			£			
Home 3			£			
We suggest 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		Personal prefe	erences			
What is the minimum number of staff that are available at any time? Are staff respectful, friendly and polite? Do staff have formal training?			not/cold? Can you ing in your room?			
		Is the décor to yo	our taste?			
		Are there restrict	ted visiting hours?			
Are the staff engaging with residents?		Is there somewhole alone?	ere you can go to			
Activities		Does the home f	eel welcoming?			
Can you get involved in activities you enjoy?		Catering				
Is there an activities co-ordinator?			nter for any dietary			
Does the home organise any outings?		requirements you	•			
Are residents escorted to appointments?			change regularly?			
Do the residents seem entertained?		Can you eat whe at night?	n you like, even			
Does the home have a varied		Can you have foo	od in your room?			
activities schedule?		Is there a choice	of food at mealtime	es?		
Life in the home		Is alcohol availab want it?	le/allowed if you			
Is the home adapted to suit your needs?		Can visitors join you for meals?				
Can you bring your own furniture?						
Are there enough plug sockets in the rooms?		Fees Do your food cov	or all of the convice	c		
Are there restrictions on going out?		and activities?	er all of the service			
Is there public transport nearby?		Are fees likely to	change regularly?			
Does the home provide any transport?		Is the notice peri	od for cancellation	of		
Can you make/receive calls privately?		the contract reas				
Can you decide when to get up and		Could you have a	•			
go to bed?		Can you keep you into hospital?	ur room it you go			
Does the home allow pets?		·	our own money?			
Does the home use Digital Care Planning accessible to families?		. ,		*See page 95.		



Woodside Lodge



Residential Care Home • 01425 673030

Specialists in dementia and residential care



Woodside Lodge Residential Care Home is set in the beautiful village of Bransgore, at the heart of the tranquil New Forest. Established in 1983 we are a family run, and privately owned Residential Care Home with a highly esteemed reputation for offering bespoke quality Dementia and Residential Care. Boasting fantastic CQC reviews, and award-winning cuisine, enquire today to find out more about long term and respite care.





Our oath to our Residents is to provide you with care and support appropriate to your needs, in a clean, comfortable, friendly, warm and supportive atmosphere, ensuring that the Care Service is delivered flexibly, attentively and in a non-discriminate fashion, while respecting each resident's own right to privacy, dignity, fulfilment and the rights to make informed choices. We will assist you to live with as much independence as possible with qualified staff trained in their role as Carers.

You are amongst friends

01425 673030

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www.woodsidelodge.co.uk

Woodside Lodge 160 Burley Road, Bransgore Nr. Christchurch BH23 8DB





Home 1		Fees per wee	Quality rating*			
Home 2		<u>£</u>				
Home 3 £						
We suggest you take paper with you when visiting care homes so that you can make notes. Please use this checklist in conjunction with the care homes checklist on page 105. You can download and print this checklist at www.carechoices.co.uk/checklists						
Design		Health				
Are there clear signs throughout the home?		Can residents get help with ea and drinking?	ting			
Has the home been designed or adapted for people with dementia?		How often does the home reviresidents' medication?	ew			
Are the home and grounds secure? Are there prompts outside the residents' rooms to help people identify their own? Is the décor familiar to your loved one?		Does the home offer help if a resident needs assistance takin medication? Do GPs visit the home regularly				
Choices Do residents get a choice in terms of what they wear each day?		Staff Are staff trained to identify wh resident might be unwell? Are staff trained to spot when				
Are residents encouraged to be independent? Can residents decide what to do each day? Can residents have a say in the décor of their room?		needs to go to the toilet? Do the staff have any dementi training/experience? Will your loved one have a mer of staff specifically responsible their care?	mber			
Activities		Approach to care				
Are residents able to join in with household tasks like folding washing? Are there activities on each day? Can residents walk around outside on their own? Are residents sitting in front of the TV or are they active and engaged? Are there rummage boxes around?		Does the home follow a specific approach to dementia therapy example, validation therapy? Will the home keep you inform about changes to your loved on Does the home have a specific approach to end of life care? Does the home keep up to dat best practice in dementia care	ned ne's care?			

^{*}See page 95.

Money matters

Paying for care

Who pays for care?

There are three ways that care in your home, or in a care home, may be paid for:

- The person being cared for (or their family or a friend) pays all the costs for their care. This is called 'self-funding'.
- The local authority pays for some or all of the care.
- Sometimes the NHS may also contribute to the cost of all or some of the care.

How much does care at home cost?

Some care and support services are provided free of charge, but you may need to pay for other types of services. See Hampshire County Council's information on which services you might have to pay for by visiting **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'What you might have to pay for').

The cost of care delivered in your home by a home care agency (sometimes called a domiciliary care agency) depends on the level of care you need. As a rough guide, the cost of a home care agency for a self-funder in the Hampshire County Council area is likely to be at least the minimum rate of £20+ per hour, and potentially more*.

If you employ a Personal Assistant yourself, you could expect to pay £11 to £15 per hour. You would be responsible for other costs associated with being an employer. See Hampshire PA Finder for more information by visiting

www.hampshirepafinder.org.uk

24-hour live-in care costs vary greatly according to needs. As a general guideline, many live-in care providers charge between £800 and £1,500 per week*. This care cost will rise if there are two or more people that need caring for at the same time.

*Source: www.which.co.uk (search 'Home care fees').

How much does a care home or nursing home cost?

The costs of care homes vary greatly and will depend on whether it is a residential home or a nursing home, whether you have complex needs or dementia, whether you have a single or shared room, whether you have an en-suite bathroom and many other factors. For a guide to current average costs in the south east, use the residential care costs calculator on the Paying for Care website. Visit www.payingforcare.org/calculators/residential-care-costs

What if I am paying my care home or nursing home fees myself?

If you have more than £23,250 in assessable savings (usually including the value of your home), you will need to pay the full cost of care yourself. It is very important that you and your family consider what will happen if your savings were to fall below the 'capital threshold' of £23,250.

Your local authority's adult social care department will assess your care and support needs. You will always be offered at least one care home place that will meet your eligible needs. However, it will not necessarily pay for your current accommodation if this is more expensive than the authority would usually expect to pay in order to meet your assessed needs.

If you wish to stay in your current accommodation, you might need to ask your family or another third party to pay a 'top-up' fee to the care home. A top-up is where a third party (or, in some very limited circumstances, you) pay the difference between what the council would reasonably expect to pay, and the rate charged by your chosen care home.

You may have been assessed as having to pay the full cost of your care yourself, but you cannot access your capital as it is tied up in your home. If you are finding it difficult to sell your home, or don't wish to sell your home, you can request a long-term loan from your local authority known as a 'deferred payment agreement'.

When will my local authority pay for my care?

Firstly, your local authority will need to carry out an assessment of your care needs. If you have

'eligible care needs' that qualify for help from your adult social care department, it will then carry out an assessment of your finances. The financial assessment is a detailed process, and every case is assessed individually. As a general guide, if you have:

- More than £23,250 in assessable savings*, you will need to pay the full cost of care yourself.
- Between £14,250 and £23,250 in assessable savings, the local authority will look at your savings and assessable income to work out what, if any, contribution you will pay towards your care costs.
- Less than £14,250 in assessable savings, the local authority will take into account any assessable income you have to work out what contribution you will pay towards the cost of your care.

*The value of your home is usually taken into account if you are being assessed for residential care. There are times when the value of your home is not taken into account, such as a temporary stay in a care home or if a dependent relative is living in your home. Before your local authority offers services, it will need to consider whether your primary need is health-related and whether you may be eligible for NHS Continuing Healthcare (see below).

When will the NHS pay for my care?

You may be eligible for funding through a health fund called NHS Continuing Healthcare (CHC). This is care that is arranged and funded solely by the NHS for individuals who are not in hospital but have been assessed as having a 'primary health need'. There are very strict eligibility criteria for this payment.

If you think you may be eligible for CHC, you can contact your local integrated care board (ICB) directly for an assessment. This will be Hampshire and Isle of Wight ICB (for all residents living within the Hampshire County Council, Portsmouth City Council and Southampton City Council areas).

Hampshire and Isle of Wight ICB

Tel: 0300 561 2561

 $Web: {\color{blue}\textbf{www.hantsiowhealthandcare.org.uk}}$

(search 'All age continuing care').

Hampshire

Tel: 0300 123 4448

Email: hiowicb-hsi.continuingcare1@nhs.net

Portsmouth

Tel: **023 9243 7963**

Email: continuingcare117@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

Southampton

Tel: 023 8072 5650

Email: hiowicb-hsi.continuinghealthcare@nhs.net

If you are not eligible for NHS Continuing Healthcare, you may still be eligible for NHS-funded Nursing Care if:

- You have been assessed as needing care from a registered nurse.
- You live in a nursing home.

The NHS pays a flat rate directly to the nursing home towards the cost of your nursing care. It won't pay for the other care home costs, such as the accommodation.

Can I avoid paying for care?

It is against the law to intentionally give away or decrease your savings or property (your assets) in order to avoid paying your care fees.

Long Term Care Fees and Wealth Management Advice



- Entitlements and allowances
- Preservation of capital where possible
- Paying care fees
- · Mitigating Inheritance Tax Liability

Whether you are in care, about to go into care, or acting on behalf of someone else, we can advise the most appropriate course of action for your individual circumstances.



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→ Local authorities will only fund care after a thorough financial assessment, and they can refuse to fund care if they believe that 'deprivation of assets' has taken place. Read more about deprivation of assets from Age UK by visiting www.ageuk.org.uk (search 'Deprivation of assets') or call 0800 678 1602 for information or to request a factsheet.

Will I have to sell my home?

The idea of selling your own home to pay for the cost of a care home is something which concerns most people. An independent financial adviser will be able to discuss your situation with you in detail.

Independent Age

Provides a factsheet about selling your property to pay for care home fees and outlines alternative options such as the deferred payment agreement. Tel: **0800 319 6789** (for advice or to request a factsheet). • Web: **www.independentage.org** (search 'Care home fees and your property').

Paying for Care

Explores the option of renting out your property to fund your care fees. • Web:

www.payingforcare.org/rent-your-home-out

Getting independent financial advice

Paying for care can be an expensive and open-ended commitment. If you are paying the full cost of care yourself, you should seek independent financial advice. Look for a financial adviser with specialist qualifications on advising on the funding of long-term care. They will be able to explain all the costs and risks involved and should be able to help with other things such as setting up a Lasting Power of Attorney. If you are currently receiving care, it is still advisable to seek specialist information and advice as there may be options available to you to protect your interests and those of your family.

Money Helper

Gives advice about all aspects of paying for care.

Tel: 0800 138 7777

Web: www.moneyhelper.org.uk

Society of Later Life Advisers (SOLLA)

A not-for-profit consumer organisation that aims to assist consumers and their families in finding accredited independent financial advisers who understand financial needs in later life.

Tel: 0333 202 0454

Web: www.societyoflaterlifeadvisers.co.uk

Planning for your future

Good planning will help make sure you or your family are ready to meet any of the costs that might arise. It will also allow you to provide for your loved ones and ease the burden on them. Comprehensive advice is available from Money Helper about planning for illness, old age and death including information about how to fund your long-term care. See the previous section for contact details. This Guide's information about Powers of Attorney may be useful. See page 92.

It may also be a good idea to think about advance health care planning. Anyone can plan for their future care, whether they are approaching the end of life or not. Advance care planning can let people know your wishes and feelings while you're still able to. The NHS website has information about planning ahead for the end of life. Visit **www.nhs.uk** (search 'End of life care').

Further information and advice

Information on paying for permanent residential care and paying for care and support at home is available from Age UK. Call **0800 678 1602** or visit **www.ageuk.org.uk** (search 'Paying for care').

Benefits

If you are state pension age, physically or mentally disabled, and need someone to help look after you, you may be entitled to Attendance Allowance. You do not have to have someone caring for you to claim. If you are under state pension age and have a disability or long-term health condition which means you have difficulties with daily living or getting around, you may be entitled to Personal

Independence Payment.

You may also be able to claim a discount on your Council Tax or apply for a grant or other benefits. There are online benefits calculators to help you work out which benefits you can claim. For more information and signposting, visit

www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators

Alternatively, contact your local Jobcentre Plus to check you are receiving the right benefits. There's a limit on the total amount of benefit that most people aged 16 to 64 can get. This is called the benefit cap. For more information, visit www.gov.uk/benefit-cap

Carers UK

Provides information about Council Tax discounts for carers and for those with severe mental impairment and disability-related Council Tax reduction.

Tel: 0808 808 7777 • Web: www.carersuk.org

GOV.UK

Provides information about benefits entitlement, Council Tax, death and bereavement benefits, disability equipment and transport benefits, benefits for people with disabilities, benefits for students with disabilities, extra money to pay for university, heating and housing benefits, low-income benefits, tax credits, pensions and pension credits. • Web: www.gov.uk

Help with claiming benefits and form filling

If you need extra help or support, the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) Visiting Team can visit you at home (or somewhere else, such as in hospital) to help you with your benefit claim. You cannot book a visit yourself. Tell the DWP if you need help to claim benefits by calling the number of the benefit you're applying for. If you're eligible, the DWP will arrange a support visit (see benefits information on page 110). Alternatively, visit www.gov.uk/support-visit-benefit-claim

Your local Citizens Advice can provide expert advice on benefits. Some may be able to assist with form-filling. Find your local branch using the following contact details.

Basingstoke and Tadley

Tel: **0808 278 7829** (Basingstoke).

Tel: 0808 278 7987 (Tadley).

Citizens Advice

Tel: **0800 144 8848** (national advice line). Tel: **18001 0800 144 8848** (text relay).

East Hampshire (Alton, Petersfield and Whitehill

& Bordon) • Tel: 0808 278 7901

Eastleigh • Tel: 0808 278 7862

Fareham • Tel: 0808 278 7964

Gosport • Tel: 0808 278 7903

Hart • Tel: 0808 278 7864

Havant • Tel: 0808 278 7809

New Forest (Hythe, Lymington, New Milton, Ringwood and Totton) • Tel: **0808 278 7860**

Portsmouth • Tel: 023 9400 6600

Rushmoor • Tel: 0808 278 7912

Southampton • Tel: 0808 278 7863

Test Valley (Andover, Romsey, Stockbridge and surrounding areas) • Tel: **0808 278 7862**

Winchester • Tel: 0808 278 7861

Carers Together in Hampshire provides benefits advice and help with form-filling for older people and carers. Visit **www.carerstogether.org.uk** or call **01794 519495**.

Southampton Advice & Representation Centre Ltd (SARC) in Southampton provides advice and representation in welfare benefits and employment. Visit **www.sarc.org.uk** or call **023 8043 1435**.

Further advice and guidance

Several organisations can give you advice if you want to apply for benefits, including:

- Age UK Tel: 0800 678 1602.
- Turn2us Tel: 0808 802 2000. Web:
 www.turn2us.org.uk (search 'Claiming benefits what are benefits?').
- Veterans Welfare Service Tel: 023 9270 2232 or 0808 191 4218.
- SSAFA (for former and serving members of the Armed Forces) – Tel: 0800 260 6767.

Guidance in relation to specific disabilities:

- National Autistic Society (Autism) Web:
 www.autism.org.uk/advice-and-guidance
- Mencap (learning disabilities) Tel: 0808 808 1111.
- Dementia UK (dementia) Tel: 0800 888 6678.
- Mind (mental health) Tel: 0300 123 3393.

Cost of living and money worries

Information and advice

For help and advice use the following contact details.

Citizens Advice

Tel: **0800 144 8848** (national advice line). Tel: **18001 0800 144 8848** (text relay). Web: **www.citizensadvice.org.uk**

Portsmouth City Council

Tel: **023 9279 4340** (Advice Portsmouth) or **023 9284 1047** (Cost of Living Hub). Web: **www.portsmouth.gov.uk** (search 'Money advice').

Southampton City Council

Tel: **023 8001 0883** (weekdays, 10.00am to 12.30pm; and 1.30pm to 4.00pm).

Web: **www.southampton.gov.uk** (search 'Welfare rights and money advice').

Help with food

If you can't afford to buy enough food, you may be able to get some short-term help from your local food bank. You will need a voucher to use a food bank. To find out where you can get a voucher, contact your local food bank or phone the Citizens Advice national phone service on **0800 144 8848**. A list of local food banks can be found online at www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/financesupport or you can refer to the following contact details.

Alton Food Bank

15 Market Square GU34 1HD • Tel: **07773 034447**

Andover Food Bank

St John the Baptist RC Church, Alexandra Road SP10 3AD • Tel: **01264 362111**

Basingstoke Food Bank

Tel: 07722 673645 / 07941 336464

Brighton Hill

Basingstoke Baptist Church, Gershwin Road RG22 4HL

Buckskin

Buckskin Evangelical Church, Chiltern Way RG22 5BB

Popley

St Gabriel's Church, Tewksbury Close RG24 9DU

Sarum Hill

The Sarum Hill Centre, Hope Community Church RG21 8SR

Tadley

Tadley Common Methodist Church, Newchurch Road RG26 3BF

Town Centre

St Michael's Church, Church Cottage, Church Square RG21 7QW

Winklebury

Church of the Good Shepherd, Winklebury Centre, RG23 8BU

Bordon Food Bank

Pinehill Road GU35 OBS

Tel: 07708 653218 / 07563 545811

Eastleigh Basics Bank

Unit G6, Wells Place SO50 5PP

Tel: 07563 609994

Fareham and Gosport Basics Bank

Aspect House, Westbury Road, Fareham PO16 7XU Tel: **01329 822204**

Unit 1, The Old Railway, Spring Garden Lane, Gosport PO12 1FQ

Tel: 07826 305900

Farnborough Food Bank

Christ Church, 55 Cove Road, Cove GU14 0EX

Tel: 07783 821356

Hart Food Bank

Darby Green

St Barnabas Church, Brinns Lane GU17 OBT

Tel: **07858 759218**

Fleet

Fleet Baptist Church, 115 Clarence Road GU51 3RS

Tel: 07926 806256

Hook

Life Church Centre, Elms Road RG27 9DX

Tel: **07849 198179**

Odiham All Saints

c/o Oslers Place, Deer Park View RG29 1JY

Tel: **07387 116947**

Meon Valley Food Bank

Wickham Community Centre, Mill Lane, Wickham,

Fareham PO17 5AL • Tel: **07956 375447**

Netley Abbey Food Bank

The Haven, 30 Queens View SO31 5EA

Tel: **07485 007800**

New Forest Basics Bank

Cannon Street East Car Park, Lymington SO41 9BR

Tel: **01590 610008**

Petersfield Food Bank

Methodist Church, Station Road GU32 3EB

Email: info@pactfoodbank.org.uk

Portsmouth Food Bank

Central

The King's Centre and Church, Fraser Road, Southsea PO5 4QA

Tel: 023 9298 7976

Portsea

Harbour Church Gunwharf (Portsea),

St Georges Square PO1 3AT

Email: foodbank@harbourchurchuk.org

Romsey Food Bank

Freedom Centre, Unit 6,

Greatbridge Business Park, Budds Lane SO51 OHA

Tel: 07761 405870

North Baddesley

Community Life Centre,

Fleming Avenue SO52 9AQ

Tel: 07761 405870/023 8041 0648

Southampton Food Bank

Tel: 023 8055 0435

Bitterne

The Old Chemist, 16 Manor Farm Road SO18 1NP

City Centre

Above Bar Church, Ogle Road SO14 7FE

Lordshill

Lord's Hill Church SO16 8HY

Shirley

Shirley Baptist Church, Church Street SO15 5LG

Sholing

St Mary's Church, 49 St Monica Road SO19 8ES

Waterlooville Food Bank

Wecock Church, Kite Close PO8 9UJ

Tel: **07342 745798**

Waterside Food Bank

193-195 Hampton Lane, Blackfield, Southampton SO45 1XA • Tel: **07768 713329**

Winchester Basics Bank

New Alresford

St Gregory's Church, Grange Road, Alresford SO24 9HD • Tel: **07581 370020**

Penton Place

21a Penton Place, Milland Road,

Highcliffe SO23 OPZ

Tel: **01962 855774 / 07581 370020**

St Barnabas Church

Fromond Road, Weeke SO22 6DS

Tel: 07581 370020

Winchester Vineyard Church (The Storehouse)

Unit A, Bar End Industrial Estate,

Bar End Road SO23 9NR • Tel: **01962 863217**

Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory contains details of local lunch clubs. Visit www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories (select 'Choose your category' then 'Community support/activities' and 'Lunch clubs').

The Smart Living website has tips and ideas for making the most of the food you have and avoiding waste. Visit **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Smart living').

Tax

- Get help with paying your taxes from the Government by visiting www.gov.uk/tax-help
- Tax Help for Older People is a service from the charity Tax Volunteers providing free, independent and expert help and advice for older people on lower incomes who cannot afford to pay for professional tax advice. Visit

www.taxvol.org.uk or call 01308 488066.

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→ Debt and money management

The following organisations offer free, impartial advice on debt and budgeting.

Business Debtline

Debt help for the self-employed and small

businesses. • Tel: **0800 197 6026** Web: **www.businessdebtline.org**

Christians Against Poverty

Debt counselling for anyone, regardless of faith.

Tel: **0800 328 0006 •** Web: www.capuk.org

Citizens Advice

Debt and money advice – budgeting, debt and general financial advice.

Tel: **0800 144 8848** (national advice line) or

0800 240 4420 (debt helpline).

Tel: 18001 0800 144 8848 or 18001 0800 240

4420 (text relay).

Web: www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money

Gamcare

Offers support and advice to those affected by gambling, including specific advice regarding money management.

Tel: **0808 8020 133**

Web: www.gamcare.org.uk

Income Max

Help to maximise income and improve finances.

Tel: **0300 777 7772**

Web: www.incomemax.org.uk

Money Helper

Advice and tools to help improve your finances.

Tel: **0800 138 7777**

Web: www.moneyhelper.org.uk

National Debtline

Confidential debt advice. • Tel: 0808 808 4000

Web: www.nationaldebtline.org

Pay Plan

Advice, guidance and support for anyone struggling with debt.

Tel: **0800 280 2816 •** Web: www.payplan.com

Step Change

Advice on problem debt.

Tel: **0800 138 1111 •** Web: www.stepchange.org

Surviving Economic Abuse

Information and advice for victims of domestic abuse who are in financial difficulty.

Tel: **0808 196 8845** (financial support line – Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 1.00pm; and 2.00pm to 5.00pm).

Web: www.survivingeconomicabuse.org

Money worries and mental health

The NHS has practical advice on coping with financial worries. Visit **www.nhs.uk** (search 'Coping with financial worries').

Mind

Offers practical tips on managing your money and improving your mental health.

Tel: 0300 123 3393

Web: **www.mind.org.uk** (search 'The link between money and mental health').

Money Saving Expert

Supported by Mind, Rethink, CAPUK and others, Money Saving Expert has developed a guide for people in debt with mental health problems and those caring for them.

Web: **www.moneysavingexpert.com** (search 'Mental health and debt').

If you are receiving mental health crisis treatment and struggling with problem debt, the Government's Mental Health Breathing Space scheme has been set up to create time and space for you to get the treatment you need, without having to worry about your debts growing or your creditors contacting you during treatment. The National Debtline has a useful fact sheet. Visit **www.nationaldebtline.org** (search 'Breathing space') or call **0808 808 4000**.

See also the 'Mental health' section beginning on page 15.

Short-term grants and advances

The Department for Work and Pensions provides grants and short-term advances for people who already claim benefits, such as:

- Maternity grants (call 0800 169 0140 or visit www.gov.uk/sure-start-maternity-grant).
- Short-term benefit advances (www.gov.uk/short-term-benefit-advance).

- Budgeting loans (call **0800 169 0140** or visit www.gov.uk/budgeting-help-benefits).
- Budgeting advances (call 0800 328 5644 or visit www.citizensadvice.org.uk – search 'Universal credit budgeting advance').

You can check you are receiving the right benefits:

- Use an online benefits calculator (www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators).
- Contact Jobcentre Plus (www.gov.uk/contact-jobcentre-plus).

Free school meals

Eligibility for free school meals depends on the circumstances of the parents or carers. Find out more from your local authority.

Hampshire County Council

Tel: 0300 555 1375

Web: www.hants.gov.uk (search 'Free

school meals').

Portsmouth City Council

Tel: **023 9283 4962**

Web: www.portsmouth.gov.uk (search

'School meals').

Southampton City Council

Tel: 023 8083 3000

Web: www.southampton.gov.uk (search

'Free school meals').

Housing advice

Your local district, borough or city council in Hampshire will be able to give you general advice about housing, housing benefits and homelessness. If you are having problems paying your rent or are worried about mortgage or Council Tax payments, the following organisations may be able to help.

Citizens Advice

Tel: **0800 144 8848** (national advice line). Tel: **18001 0800 144 8848** (text relay). Web: **www.citizensadvice.org.uk/housing**

Shelter

Tel: **0808 800 4444** (urgent helpline). Web: **https://england.shelter.org.uk** (click 'Housing advice').

Keeping your home warm

If you are struggling to keep your home warm, and live in the Hampshire County Council area, visit **www.** hants.gov.uk (search 'Cold spots') or telephone **0800 804** 8601 (9.00am to 5.00pm, Monday to Friday).

Your call will be answered by a member of the friendly and knowledgeable Hampshire-based team from the Environment Centre. This organisation will be able to provide a range of advice and assistance including one-off emergency fuel payment vouchers for people who meet certain eligibility criteria.

Gosport residents (PO12 and PO13 postcodes)

Tel: **0800 804 8601**

Web: www.switched-on-gosport.co.uk

Portsmouth, Gosport and Havant residents (PO1

to PO6 postcodes)
Tel: **0800 260 5907**

Web: www.switchedonportsmouth.co.uk

Southampton residents

Tel: **0800 804 8601**

Web: www.environmentcentre.com/

southampton-healthy-homes

If you claim benefits, you may be able to claim discounts or grants to help heat your home. For more about keeping warm in winter, see the information on page 40.

Furniture

Use the internet to search for reuse organisations that may sell second-hand furniture and appliances. The following are some websites or organisations you could try.

Community Furniture Project, The

Sells a wide range of used furniture in Basingstoke. Units 11 and 12, Joule Road RG21 6XH Tel: **01256 320700** (9.00am to 5.00pm, Monday to Saturday. Closed for lunch, 12.30pm to

1.00pm, Saturday). • Web: www.n-c-r-c.org

Emmaus Hampshire

A social enterprise which helps people out of homelessness.

Tel: **01962 868300**

Web: www.emmaus.org.uk/hampshire

→ Furniture Helpline, The

Provides affordable household goods, household furniture and white goods at very low prices to those with a need in Alton.

Tel: 01420 489000

Web: www.furniturehelpline.co.uk

Gumtree

For second-hand furniture and appliances for sale.

Web: www.gumtree.com

Jacob's Well Care Centre

Aims to provide furniture to those in need in the Gosport area.

Toronto Place PO12 4UZ Tel: **023 9258 3050**

Web: www.jacobswellcarecentre.co.uk

Charity shops, such as the British Heart Foundation, are also a good place to start if you want to buy second-hand goods for the home at affordable prices. Some household waste recycling centres have sections where you can buy second-hand furniture.

Financial help from charities

Some charities provide financial help such as subsidised care in a care home or help with care fees as well as crisis grants. Often these charities are concerned with particular groups such as nurses or ex-service people.

Turn2us

Use the search tool to find out what charitable funds you may be eligible for.

Tel: **0808 802 2000**

Web: www.turn2us.org.uk

Broadband tariffs

If you are on benefits and struggling to pay your monthly broadband costs, contact your provider to see if you are eligible to move to a social tariff. Social tariffs are low-cost broadband deals offered to customers on benefits and cost about £15 per month.

Broadband providers are not obliged to offer social tariffs but have been encouraged to do so by the government and Ofcom. All those receiving Universal Credit are eligible, although some providers extend eligibility to those in receipt of other benefits, such as Pension Credit, Employment and Support Allowance, Jobseeker's Allowance and Income Support.

Ofcom

Tel: 0300 123 3333 • Web: www.ofcom.org.uk

TV Licence

The Simple Payment Plan was created for those in financial difficulty and who meet certain eligibility criteria. Qualifying customers can choose from either a fortnightly or monthly payment plan that spreads the cost of a TV licence over 12 months. This means you make smaller payments more frequently. The Simple Payment Plan offers flexibility if a payment is missed, as it can be spread across the remainder of the plan instead of having to pay double the amount next time. If payments are missed three months in a row, customers are removed from the Simple Payment Plan.

TV Licencing

Tel: **0300 555 0299** • Web: **www.tvlicencing.co.uk** (search 'Simple Payment Plan').

Protecting adults at risk

Abuse

Abuse is something that is done to another person, without their full understanding or consent, that harms them in some way. It may consist of a single act or repeated acts. Abuse or neglect may be deliberate, or the result of negligence or ignorance. Unintentional abuse or neglect arises, for example, because pressures have built up and/ or because of difficult or challenging behaviour

which is not being properly addressed. Abuse and neglect can take many forms. Abuse can include one or more of the following:

 Physical abuse – includes hitting, pinching, pushing, misuse of medication or physically restraining someone in an inappropriate way. For example, being locked in or force-fed.

- Financial/material abuse includes theft, fraud, exploitation, coercion in relation to an adult's financial affairs or arrangements, including in connection with wills, property, inheritance or financial transactions, or the misuse or misappropriation of property, possessions or benefits. For example, having money or property stolen, being pressured into giving people money or changing a will, misuse of benefits, not being allowed access to money.
- **Sexual abuse** includes rape and sexual assault or sexual acts to which the adult has not consented and may not understand or was pressured into consenting. For example, being made to touch or kiss someone else, being made to listen to sexual comments or forced to look at sexual acts or materials.
- **Psychological abuse** can happen where someone is isolated, verbally abused or threatened. It includes emotional abuse, threats of harm or abandonment, deprivation of contact, humiliation, blaming, controlling, intimidation, coercion, harassment, verbal abuse, isolation or unreasonable and unjustified withdrawal of services or supportive networks.
- Discriminating abuse includes any type of abuse on grounds of race, gender and gender identity, disability, sexual orientation, religion, and other forms of harassment, slurs or similar treatment.
 For example, ignoring spiritual or religious beliefs, comments or jokes about a person's disability, age, race, sexual orientation, or gender/gender identity, ignoring cultural needs.
- Exploitation includes unfairly manipulating someone for profit or personal gain; it can be either opportunistic or premeditated.
- Neglect and acts of omission includes ignoring medical or physical care needs, failure to provide access to appropriate health, care and support or educational services, the withholding of the necessities of life, such as medication, adequate nutrition and heating.
- Institutional abuse can occur in a social or health care establishment such as a hospital or care home and includes from poor practice to neglect, ill treatment and gross misconduct. This may range from isolated incidents to continuing ill-treatment. For example, lack of individual care, no flexibility of bedtimes or waking, deprived environment and lack of stimulation.

- Mate crime occurs when a person is harmed or taken advantage of by someone that they thought was their friend.
- A hate incident any incident that the victim, or anyone else, thinks is based on someone's prejudice towards them because of their race, religion, sexual orientation, disability or because they are transgender. Not all hate incidents will amount to criminal offences, but those that do become hate crimes.

Where can abuse happen?

People who need support need to trust and depend upon a wide range of people who offer them help in many forms. Abuse can happen anywhere. It could take place:

- In your own home.
- In someone else's home.
- At a day centre or college.
- In a residential or nursing home.
- In a hospital or GP surgery.
- At work.
- In a public place.

Who might carry out abuse?

Unfortunately, it is known that abuse can be carried out by anyone such as:

- Family, friends, neighbours.
- Paid staff, carers, volunteers.
- Other service users or tenants.
- Strangers.

What to do if you suspect abuse

If you think you are being abused, or another vulnerable adult you know is being harmed in any way by another person, please do not ignore it. In an emergency, or if you suspect you or someone else is in immediate danger, phone **999**. If you have concerns, or want to report abuse, phone your local authority social care department or the police on **101**.



→ Hourglass

Operates an elder abuse response helpline. Tel: **0808 808 8141** (24-hours).

Hampshire Police

Offers guidance on how to prevent and deal with hate crime or mate crime. You can also report hate crime or hate incidents to a community organisation in your area, if you do not feel comfortable contacting the police. See page 79 for contact details.

Web: **www.hampshire.police.uk** (search 'What is hate crime?').

Hampshire Safeguarding Adults Board

Has information about Safeguarding Adults in Hampshire, including advice, leaflets and policy documents.

Web: www.hampshiresab.org.uk

Respond

Exists in order to lessen the effect of trauma and abuse on people with learning disabilities, their families and supporters.

Tel: **020 7383 0700**

Web: www.respond.org.uk

Domestic abuse

What is domestic abuse?

Anyone can be a victim of domestic abuse, regardless of gender, age, ethnicity, socio-economic status, sexuality or background. Domestic abuse is not always physical violence. It can also include:

- Coercive control and 'gaslighting'.
- Economic abuse.
- Online abuse.
- Threats and intimidation.
- Emotional abuse.
- Sexual abuse.

What signs to look for

If you believe that you or someone else could be a victim of domestic abuse, there are signs that you can look out for including:

- Being withdrawn or being isolated from family and friends.
- Having bruises, burns or bite marks.
- Having finances controlled, or not being given enough to buy food or pay bills.
- Not being allowed to leave the house or stopped from going to college or work.
- Having your internet or social media use monitored, or someone else reading your texts, emails or letters.
- Being repeatedly belittled, put down or told you are worthless.
- Being pressured into sex.
- Being told that abuse is your fault, or that you're overreacting.

Help if you are not in immediate danger

If you, or someone you know, is being abused there is help and support available.

Citizens Advice

Information to help you with finding somewhere safe to stay, getting legal protection and taking legal action. • Tel: **0800 144 8848** (national advice line – 9.00am to 5.00pm, Monday to Friday). • Web: **www.citizensadvice.org.uk** (search 'Domestic abuse').

Galop

Operates a national LGBT+ domestic violence helpline.

Tel: **0800 999 5428 •** Email: **help@galop.org.uk** Web: **www.galop.org.uk**

Hampshire Domestic Abuse Service

Tel: **0330 016 5112** • Web: **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Domestic abuse').

Hampshire Libraries

Offer information and support for people at risk. Web: **www.hants.gov.uk** (search 'Domestic abuse support').

National Domestic Abuse Helpline

Tel: **0808 200 0247** (available 24 hours a day).

Respect Phoneline

Provides support for domestic violence perpetrators.

Tel: 0808 802 4040

Respect Men's Adviceline

Help for male victims of domestic abuse.

Tel: 0808 801 0327

Codeword scheme

If you are experiencing domestic abuse and need immediate help, ask for 'ANI' in a participating pharmacy. 'ANI' stands for Action Needed Immediately but also phonetically sounds like the name Annie. If a pharmacy has the ANI logo on display, it means they are ready to help. The pharmacy will offer you a private space, provide a phone and ask if you need support from the police or other domestic abuse support services.

Help if you are in immediate danger

- Call 999 and ask for the police if you are in danger and unable to talk, call 999 and listen to the questions from the operator and, if you can, respond by coughing or tapping on the handset.
- Call 999 from a mobile if prompted, press 55 to 'make yourself heard' and this will transfer you to

- the police. Pressing 55 only works on mobiles and does not allow police to track your location.
- Call 999 from a landline if the operator can only hear background noise and cannot decide whether an emergency service is needed, you will be connected to a police call handler. If you replace the handset, the landline may remain connected for 45 seconds in case you pick up again. When 999 calls are made from landlines, information about your location should be automatically available to the call handlers to help provide a response.
- If you are deaf or can't verbally communicate you can register with the emergency SMS service. Text 'REGISTER' to **999**. You will get a text which tells you what to do next. Do this when it is safe so you can text if you are in danger.

Suicide prevention

Understanding suicidal feelings

Suicidal feelings can affect anyone at any time. Feeling suicidal is not a character defect and it doesn't mean that you are crazy, weak or flawed. It only means that you have more pain than you can cope with right now. Samaritans tell us that most people who feel suicidal do not actually want to die; they do not want to live the life they have. That is why it's so important to seek help and talk through your options. With time and support, you can overcome your problems and the pain and suicidal feelings will pass.

Getting help if you are feeling suicidal

- **1.** If you're feeling suicidal at this moment, please follow these five immediate steps:
 - 1. Promise not to do anything right now even though you're in a lot of pain, give yourself some distance between suicidal thoughts and suicidal action. Make a promise to yourself: 'I will wait 24 hours and won't do anything drastic during that time.' Or wait a week. Thoughts and actions are two different things your suicidal thoughts do not have to become a reality. There is no deadline, no one's pushing you to act on these thoughts immediately. Wait and put some distance between your suicidal thoughts and actions.

- 2. **Avoid drugs and alcohol** suicidal thoughts can become even stronger after taking drugs or alcohol. It's important to avoid non-prescription drugs or alcohol when you feel hopeless or suicidal.
- 3. Make your home safe remove things you could use to hurt yourself, such as pills, knives or razors. If you are unable to do so, go to a place where you can feel safe. If you are thinking of taking an overdose, give your medicines to someone who can return them only when you need them.
- 4. Don't keep these suicidal feelings to yourself many of us have found that the first step to coping with suicidal thoughts and feelings is to share them with someone we trust. It may be a family member, friend, therapist, member of the clergy, your GP or an experienced counsellor at the end of a helpline. Find someone you trust and let them know how bad things are. Don't let fear, shame, or embarrassment prevent you from seeking help. If the first person you reach out to doesn't seem to understand, try someone else. Just talking about how you got to this stage in your life can release a lot of the pressure that's building up and help you find a way to cope. →

- → 5. **Take hope** people do get through this. Even people who feel as badly as you are feeling now manage to survive these feelings. Take hope in this. There is a very good chance that you are going to live through these feelings, no matter how much hopelessness or isolation you are currently experiencing. Just give yourself the time needed and don't try to go it alone.
- 2. Reach out for help. Even if it doesn't feel like it right now, there are many people who want to support you during this difficult time. Reach out to someone. Do it now. If you promised yourself 24 hours or a week in step 1, use that time to tell someone what's going on with you. Find someone who will simply listen and be there for you. This could be a family member or friend, or one of the following helplines.

CALM (Campaign Against Living Miserably)

Runs a confidential helpline as well as web chat support.

Helpline: 0800 585858 (Monday to Sunday,

5.00pm to 12.00am).

Web: www.thecalmzone.net

National Suicide Prevention Helpline UK

Offers a supportive listening service to anyone with thoughts of suicide.

Tel: **0800 689 5652**

(6.00pm to 12.00am, daily).

Papyrus

Runs a helpline for children and young people under 35.

Tel: **0800 068 4141** (24-hours).

Text: **07860 039967**

Email: pat@papyrus-uk.org Web: www.papyrus-uk.org

Samaritans

24-hour confidential emotional support to anyone who needs it.

Tel: 116 123

Email: jo@samaritans.org

Shout

Crisis text support if you need immediate assistance.

Text: 'SHOUT' to **85258**.

Silence of Suicide

Support and someone to talk to or just listen.

Tel: **0808 115 1505** (Monday to Friday,

8.00pm to 12.00am; Saturday to Sunday,

4.00pm to 12.00am).

3. Find online information and support as follows.

Getselfhelp has useful distraction techniques and coping strategies.

Web: www.getselfhelp.co.uk/suicidal.htm

Grassroots Suicide Prevention has a 'Stay Safe' suicide prevention toolkit for people with learning disabilities.

Web: **www.prevent-suicide.org.uk** (search 'Stay Safe').

Kooth is an online counselling and emotional wellbeing support service for 11–25-year-olds.

Web: www.kooth.com

Mind has advice to help you plan for a mental health crisis.

Web: **www.mind.org.uk** (search 'Planning for a mental health crisis').

Staying Safe has information and videos to help you make a safety plan.

Web: https://stayingsafe.net

How can I know if someone else might be feeling suicidal?

Everyone is different, but here are some general signs that may suggest a person needs help. For some people, several of these signs might apply – for others just one or two, or none:

- Feeling restless and agitated.
- Feeling angry and aggressive.
- Feeling tearful.
- Being tired or lacking in energy.
- Not wanting to talk to or be with people.
- Not wanting to do things they usually enjoy.
- Using alcohol or drugs to cope with feelings.
- Finding it hard to cope with everyday things.
- Not replying to messages or being distant.

- Talking about feeling hopeless, helpless or worthless.
- Talking about feeling trapped by life circumstances they can't see a way out of or feeling unable to escape their thoughts.
- A change in routine, such as sleeping or eating more or less than normal.
- Engaging in risk-taking behaviour, like gambling or violence.
- Self-harming.

Again, everyone is different, but here are some common situations that may lead to someone having suicidal thoughts:

- Loss, including loss of a friend or a family member through bereavement.
- Suicide or attempted suicide of family member, friend or public figure.
- Relationship and family problems.
- Housing problems.
- Financial worries.
- Job-related stress.
- College or study-related pressures.
- Bullying, abuse or neglect.
- Loneliness and isolation.
- Challenging current events.
- Depression.
- Painful and/or disabling physical illness.
- Heavy use of or dependency on alcohol or other drugs.

How can I help someone who is feeling suicidal?

We all have a role to play in suicide prevention. About 70% of people who commit suicide give some sort of verbal or non-verbal clue about their intention to end their life. That means you could be in a position to guide someone to get help before they commit the one action that can never be taken back. Things you can do:

• Understand the facts around suicide and suicidal thoughts – look out for possible signs.

- Find out how you can have a conversation with and support someone. Samaritans
 (www.samaritans.org search 'Myths about suicide' or call 116 123) and Rethink Mental Illness (www.rethink.org search 'How to support someone' or call 0808 801 0525) provide helpful guidance.
- Build your confidence by doing some online suicide awareness training (contact details below).

Organisations offering helplines are listed on page 121.

If the person is in need of urgent help and cannot keep safe:

- Call an ambulance on **999** or help them to get to the nearest A&E department.
- Stay with them and continue to talk to them if you can.

If the person can keep safe for a short while but is still in need of urgent help, you could:

- Dial **111**. This is a free service and is open 24/7.
- Contact their GP and ask for an emergency appointment.

Online training

Zero Suicide Alliance

Offers free online training to help understand the signs to look out for and the skills required to approach someone who is struggling with suicidal thoughts.

Web: www.zerosuicidealliance.com/training



Self-neglect and hoarding

What is self-neglect?

Self-neglect is an extreme lack of self-care that puts your health, safety or wellbeing at risk. It is sometimes associated with hoarding or may be a result of other causes such as dementia, obsessive compulsive disorder, a physical illness, addiction or traumatic life changes. Hoarding and self-neglect do not always appear together, and one does not necessarily cause the other. Self-neglect could be neglecting to care for your personal hygiene, your health or surroundings.

What is hoarding?

Hoarding is different to 'clutter'. Hoarding is keeping an excessive amount of any material to the point that it prevents a living space from being used for its intended purpose. Hoarding is not a lifestyle choice.

Hoarding disorder is having a persistent difficulty in throwing away or parting with possessions, most of which have little or no monetary value. A person with a hoarding disorder may experience distress at the thought of getting rid of items, or they may be physically unable to due to a health-related factor.

A hoarding disorder usually has harmful effects – emotional, physical, social, financial and even legal – for someone who hoards and their family members.

How to recognise the signs of hoarding in yourself and others

Someone who has a hoarding disorder may:

- Keep or collect items that may have little or no monetary value, such as junk mail and carrier bags, or items they intend to reuse or repair.
- Find it hard to categorise or organise items.
- Struggle to manage everyday tasks, such as cooking or cleaning.
- Become extremely attached to items, refusing to let anyone touch or borrow them.

It's possible to hoard anything physical, such as clothes or shoes, drawings or photographs, books, newspapers, storage containers, post, bills and other paperwork. Animals such as cats and dogs and digital files can also be hoarded.

Why is hoarding a problem?

A hoarding disorder can take over a person's life. It can be difficult to get around your house, maintain personal hygiene and can cause relationships to suffer.

A living space could become very difficult to clean, leading to unhygienic conditions and encourage rodent or insect infestations. It is a fire risk due to the volume of items hoarded and exits being blocked. It can lead to trips and falls, or items could collapse and fall on you or others if kept in large piles.

Support with hoarding

Hoarding is not easy to treat. People who hoard may not recognise it as a problem. Even if someone does agree that they need support they may find it difficult to accept help. Information about how to treat hoarding with help from a GP is available from the NHS (**www.nhs.uk** – search 'Hoarding disorder').

Hoarding UK

Offers information and advice to help people who hoard.

Web: **www.hoardinguk.org** (select 'About hoarding').

Mind

Provides information to help people who hoard and their family members.

Web: www.mind.org.uk (search 'Hoarding').

You can search for organisations that support people with a hoarding disorder using Connect to Support Hampshire's Community Directory (www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/directories – search 'Hoard'). You can also search the Marketplace for organisations that can help with deep cleaning and hoarding (www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/marketplace – search 'Deep clean' or 'Hoarding').

If you are concerned that someone you know is self-neglecting or hoarding to the point you believe they are unsafe, you should contact your local authority's adult social care department.



Hampshire Care

Association

Do you know the benefits of becoming a member of Hampshire Care Association (HCA)?

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- Hampshire County Council (HCC).
- Portsmouth City Council (PCC).
- Southampton City Council (SCC).
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Residential care in Hampshire

This Guide is divided into the geographical areas listed on this map, including Portsmouth and Southampton.

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1 Westbury Way, Aldershot GU12 4HE

Tel: 01252 311852

Remyck House

Maple House HCA

5 Eggars Hill, Aldershot GU11 3NQ

Tel: 01252 310411

SeeAbility Fairways Residential Care Home

Bradbury Lodge, 10 Victoria Road, Aldershot GU11 1FG

Tel: 01252 947519

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HCA – Hampshire Care Association

For information on different types of care home,

see page 94.

Aldershot care homes with nursing

Ticehurst Care Home With Nursing HCA

Tudor Rose

23 Manor Road, Aldershot GU11 3DG Whitchurch Close, Aldershot GU11 3RX

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1 Rakemakers, Holybourne GU34 4ED

Tel: 01420 549048 LDA YA

Belford House Westlands Retirement Home

Lymington Bottom, Four Marks, Alton GU34 5AH

OP D YA Tel: 01962 773588

Borovere

10 Borovere Lane, Alton GU34 1PD

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Cloverdale

95 Anstey Lane, Alton GU34 2NI

Tel: 01420 542370 LDA YA

Jasmine House HCA

4A Geales Crescent, Alton GU34 2ND

Tel: 01420 823690 PD LDA YA

Lawn Residential Care Home, The

119 London Road, Holybourne, Alton GU34 4ER

OP D YA Tel: 01420 841620

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8 Winston Rise. Four Marks GU34 5HW

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Tel: 01420 525882

23 Borovere Lane. Alton GU34 1PB

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Winchester Road HCA

52 Winchester Road. Four Marks.

Alton GU34 5HR

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Alton care homes with nursing

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Adams Way, Alton GU34 2UU Tel: 01420 549797

Marlfield Care Home With Nursing HCA

Gilbert White Way, Alton GU34 2LF Tel: 01420 593960

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PD Physical disability LDA Learning disability, autism

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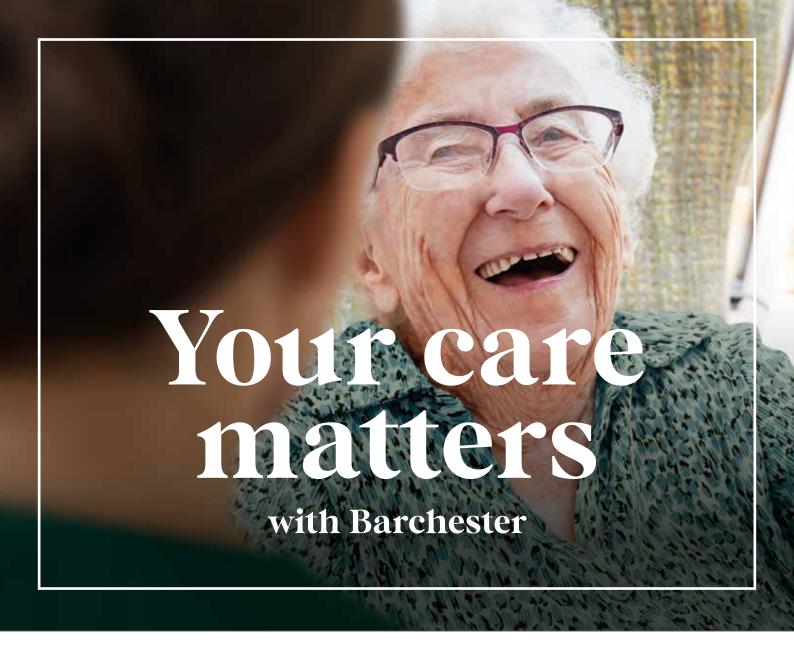


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User Bands MH Mental health

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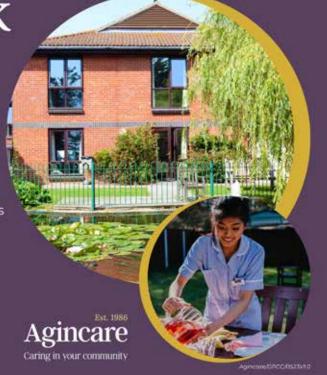
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OP Older people (65+) **D** Dementia

PD Physical disability LDA Learning disability, autism

User Bands MH Mental health

SI Sensory impairment YA Younger adults

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User Bands MH Mental health

SI Sensory impairment YA Younger adults

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PD Physical disability LDA Learning disability, autism

User Bands MH Mental health

SI Sensory impairment YA Younger adults

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17 Lavender Road, Hordle, Lymington SO41 OGF Tel: 01425 638967 PD LDA YA

Solent Mead Care Home HCA

Church Lane, Lymington SO41 3RA Tel: 01590 674687

OP D YA

Sway Place

Sway Place, Church Lane, Sway, Lymington SO41 6AD Tel: 01590 684900 OP D

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Thornfield Care Home – Lymington

8 Milford Road, Lymington SO41 8DJ Tel: 01590 676191

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Lymington care homes with nursing

Belmore Lodge

Milford Road, Lymington SO41 8DJ Tel: 01590 674700 **OP YA**

Birchy Hill Care Home HCA

Birchy Hill, Sway, Lymington SO41 6BJ

Tel: 01590 682233 Advert page 149

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Court Lodge

Court Close, Lymington SO41 8NQ Tel: 01590 673956

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New Street, Lymington SO41 9BP Tel: 01590 647500

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Stoney Cross, Lyndhurst SO43 7GN

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Bournemouth Road, Lyndhurst SO43 7DP Tel: 0238 028 4555 **Advert page 125**

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New Forest Nursing Home HCA

Fritham House, Fritham, Lyndhurst SO43 7HH Tel: 023 8081 3556

OP PD

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Hillyfield Rest Home Ltd

Barnes Lane, Milford-on-Sea, Lymington SO41 ORP Tel: 01590 642121

Milford-on-Sea care home with nursing

St George's Nursing Home and Home Care HCA

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Abbey House HCA

93 Station Road, Netley Abbey, Southampton SO31 5AH Tel: 023 9247 5219

PD LDA SI

Netley Court

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Woolston Road

28-30 Woolston Road, Netley Abbey, Southampton SO31 5FQ Tel: 023 8045 7524

PD LDA YA



Service **User Bands** MH Mental health

OP Older people (65+) D Dementia

PD Physical disability LDA Learning disability, autism

SI Sensory impairment YA Younger adults

Netley Abbey care home with nursing

Abbey House Nursing Home

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New Milton care homes

HCA – Hampshire Care Association

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Ashfield Care Homes Ltd HCA

99 Ashley Road, Ashley, New Milton BH25 5BJ

Tel: 01425 628308 LDA YA

Ashfield House - New Milton HCA

105 Ashley Road, Ashley, New Milton BH25 5BL Tel: 01425 619256 LDA YA

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Forty4 HCA

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Tel: 01425 619938 **OP PD LDA MH SI YA**

Grey Gables (New Milton) Ltd

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Hazelgrove & Martingrove HCA

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Tel: 01425 611901

Oakside

OP

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Ocean Breeze Residential Care Home HCA

22 Barton Wood Road, Barton On Sea,

New Milton BH25 7NN

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Osborne Lodge Rest Home

30 Osborne Road, New Milton BH25 6AD

Tel: 01425 618248

Penny Farthing House

Fernhill Lane, New Milton BH25 5SX

Tel: 01425 611840 LDA YA

Quaker House

40-44 Barton Court Road,

New Milton BH25 6NR

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New Milton BH25 5BL

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User Bands MH Mental health SI Sensory impairment YA Younger adults AD People who misuse alcohol or drugs

New Milton care homes with nursing

HCA – Hampshire Care Association **Advertisers are highlighted**

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Golden Hill, Ashley Lane, New Milton BH25 5AH

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Windy Ridge Care Home HCA

New Milton BH25 7BQ

Tel: 01425 613627

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Tel: 01425 610529 Advert below

OP D

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Stroud House HCA

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Petersfield care homes with nursing

Chatterwood Nursing Home

Huntsbottom Lane, Hillbrow, Liss GU33 7PA OP D PD YA Tel: 01730 893943

Eastfield Nursing Home HCA

Hillbrow Road, Liss GU33 7PS Tel: 01730 892268

User Bands MH Mental health

Steep House Nursing Home

SI Sensory impairment YA Younger adults AD People who misuse alcohol or drugs

Tilmore Road. Petersfield GU32 2HS Tel: 01730 260095

OP D PD MH

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Portsmouth: Central care homes

Bluewater Care Home

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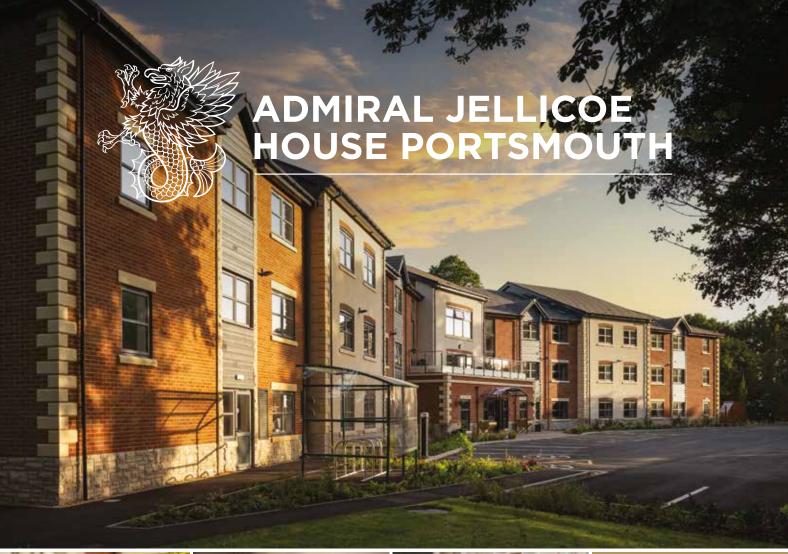
Hartford Court

Catherington Place, Portsmouth PO3 6GN Tel: 01256 383370 **OP D PD SI YA**

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Copnor Road, Portsmouth PO3 5GA

Tel: 023 9269 9612 **OP D PD MH SI YA**

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Portsmouth: Cosham care homes

Alexandra Rose Residential Care Home HCA

358 Havant Road, Farlington, Portsmouth PO6 1NE

Tel: 023 9238 2944 **OP D**

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91 Havant Road, Cosham, Portsmouth PO6 2JD
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Meadow House Residential Home

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Portsmouth: Cosham care homes with nursing

Cosham Court Nursing Home

2-4 Albert Road, Cosham, Portsmouth PO6 3DD Tel: 023 9232 4301 **OP D PD YA**

Hamilton House

6 Drayton Lane, Portsmouth PO6 1HG Tel: 023 9238 5448

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Portsmouth: Southsea care homes

Admiral Jellicoe House

Admiral Jellicoe House, Locksway Road,

Southsea PO4 8JW Advert page 152
Tel: 023 9200 0996 OP D PD LDA MH SI YA

Albert Lodge HCA

21 Victoria Road North, Southsea PO5 1PL

Tel: 023 9283 7545

Alton Manor Care Home - Portsmouth HCA

8-12 Herbert Road, Southsea PO4 OQA

Tel: 023 9286 2904 **OP D MH**

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Autumn Vale Rest Home HCA

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Beaconsfield Residential Care Home HCA

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LDA MH

User Bands MH Mental health SI Sensory impairment YA Younger adults AD People who misuse alcohol or drugs

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Portsmouth PO6 1EE

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Tel: 023 9282 0141 OP D PD LDA YA

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1 Ormsby Road, Southsea PO5 2AL

Tel: 023 9273 8752 **OP PD LDA YA**

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Tel: 023 9229 4649 LDA

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Tel: 023 9282 5097 OP D MH YA

Shearwater

PD LDA YA

Moorings Way, Milton, Portsmouth PO4 8QW

Tel: 023 9277 6130

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St Vincent House - Southsea HCA

St Vincent House, 20-21 Clarance Parade,

Southsea PO5 3NU

Tel: 023 9235 8062

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Victoria Lodge HCA

19 Victoria Road North, Southsea PO5 1PL

Tel: 023 9275 4411

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You Trust, The - 34-36 Shaftesbury Road HCA

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Portsmouth: Southsea care homes with nursing

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Tel: 023 9273 3359

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Hightown Road

75 Hightown Road, Ringwood BH24 1NH

PD LDA Tel: 01425 461269

Northfield House

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PD LDA SI Tel: 01725 475628

Oak Mount Care Home HCA

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The Stable Family Home Trust, The Stables Bisterne,

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Tel: 01425 485192 LDA **Whitegates Care Home**

Gravel Lane, Ringwood BH24 1LL

Tel: 01425 472302

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Woodside Lodge HCA

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Service **OP** Older people (65+) **D** Dementia

User Bands MH Mental health

PD Physical disability LDA Learning disability, autism

SI Sensory impairment YA Younger adults

Bickerley Green Care Home with Nursing HCA

Kingsbury Lane, Ringwood BH24 1EL

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Gorselands Nursing Home HCA

Coach Hill Lane, Burley Street, Ringwood BH24 4HN Tel: 01425 402316 OP D PD St Martha's

Linford Road, Linford, Ringwood BH24 3HX Tel: 07384 518905 OP D PD MH YA

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Romsey care homes

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Minchin Road, Romsey SO51 OBL

Greenview Residential Care Home HCA

Lockerley Green, Lockerley, Romsey SO51 OJN

Tel: 01794 528700 **Advert page 125** OP D PD SI YA

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Timaru HCA

Great Bridge Road, Romsey SO51 OHB

Tel: 01794 523731

Woodley Grange HCA

Winchester Hill, Romsey SO51 7NU

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Tel: 01794 341200 Marika House HCA

Stoneymarsh, Michelmersh, Romsey SO51 OLB LDA SI YA Tel: 0845 094 9295

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Romsey care homes with nursing

Cedar Lawn Nursing Home HCA

Cedar Lawn, Braishfield Road, Romsey SO51 7US

OP PD YA Tel: 01794 523300

Kingfisher Court

Rownhams Lane, North Baddesley,

Southampton SO52 9LP Tel: 023 8073 9006

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Dunwood Manor Nursing Home HCA

Sherfield English, Romsey SO51 6FD

33 Woodley Lane, Romsey SO51 7JL

Tel: 01794 513033 OP D PD **Knights' Grove Bupa Care Home**

Thomas Road, North Baddesley,

Southampton SO52 9EW

Tel: 0238 074 1342 Advert page 158

Marie Louise House Nursing Home HCA

Newton Lane, Romsey SO518GZ

Tel: 01794 521224

Fryers House – Care Home with Nursing **Physical Disabilities**

Fryers Close, Romsey SO515AD

Tel: 01794 526200 **OP PD LDA YA** Waverley Lodge Nursing Home HCA

Sherfield English, Romsey SO51 6FD

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Southampton: Bassett care homes

Bassett House

Durban House HCA

Tel: 01794 512332

1 Bassett Avenue, Southampton SO16 7DP

Tel: 023 8076 9432

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85 Mercury Close, Southampton SO16 8BJ

Tel: 023 8073 9500

Mercury House

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4 Glen Eyre Way, Bassett, Southampton SO16 3GD Tel: 023 8067 7831 OP D

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User Bands MH Mental health

SI Sensory impairment YA Younger adults



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Southampton Manor Care Home

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Southampton: Bitterne care homes

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Appleton House HCA

26 Chafen Road, Southampton SO18 1BB Tel: 0203 195 0118

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Chesham House HCA

194 West End Road, Bitterne, Southampton SO18 6PN Tel: 023 8047 2912

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Cwello Lodge HCA

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LDA MH

Holcroft House HCA

Holcroft Road, Thornhill, Southampton SO19 6HA
Tel: 023 8040 2689

Oakwood Residential Home

192 West End Road, Bitterne, Southampton SO18 6PN Tel: 023 8046 6143

Retreat House

9 Montague Avenue, Southampton SO19 OQH Tel: 023 8044 2860 LDA MH YA

Speedwell Court HCA

Mansbridge Road, West End, Southampton SO18 3HW Tel: 023 8235 6990 **Advert page 156 OP D PD SI YA**

St Katherine Care Home HCA

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Southampton: Central care homes

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123 Millbrook Road East, Freemantle. Southampton SO15 1HQ Tel: 023 8023 5221

LDA MH YA

Crowlin House

Calmore Road, Calmore, Southampton SO40 2RA MH AD Tel: 023 8086 0898

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Wilton Manor Bupa Care Home

Wilton Avenue, Southampton SO15 2HA

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HCA – Hampshire Care Association

Brookvale House HCA

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Southampton SO171OL Tel: 023 8032 2541

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Southampton SO17 1DN Tel: 023 8055 3668

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Holmhurst Care Home

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Southampton SO14 6WD

Tel: 023 8055 7999

OP MH YA

Ivydene

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OP LDA YA

Lawn House

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Tel: 023 8058 4911

LDA MH YA

Lawnbrook Care Home HCA

15 Lawn Road, Southampton SO17 2EX

Tel: 023 8057 7786

OP D PD MH

Mayflower Court

62-70 Westwood Road, Southampton SO17 1DP

Tel: 023 8098 2774 Advert page 160

OP D YA

Shaftesbury Rest Home HCA

49 Shaftesbury Avenue, Highfield,

Southampton SO17 1SE

Tel: 023 8058 4478

OP D MH

White Lodge Rest Home

79-83 Alma Road, Southampton SO14 6UQ

Tel: 023 8055 4478

OP D MH

Southampton: Shirley care homes

Abbey Retirement Home HCA

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Tel: 023 8070 2671

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33 Landguard Road, Southampton SO15 5DL Tel: 023 8032 2999

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Ashwood Rest Home HCA

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Tel: 023 8091 7611

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Tel: 023 8086 5753

OP D PD LDA SI

Rowan House HCA

9 Darwin Road, Shirley, Southampton SO15 5BS

Tel: 023 8022 5238

OP D MH

Fritham Lodge HCA

36 Shirley Park Road, Shirley, Southampton SO16 4FU **MHYA**

Tel: 023 8077 4221

Stanwell Rest Home HCA

72-76 Shirley Avenue, Southampton SO15 5NJ **OP D MH** Tel: 023 8077 5942

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PD Physical disability LDA Learning disability, autism

User Bands MH Mental health

SI Sensory impairment YA Younger adults



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33 Hill Lane, Southampton SO15 5WF

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6 Westrow Road, Southampton SO15 2LY

Tel: 02380 989164 Advert page 158 OP PD LDA YA

St Johns Nursing Home

Rownhams Lane, Rownhams, Southampton SO16 8AR Tel: 023 8073 2330 OP D PD YA

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Southampton: Woolston care homes

Aspen Lodge Care Home HCA

222 Weston Lane, Southampton SO19 9HL

OP D PD MH SI YA Tel: 023 8042 1154

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Chessel Avenue

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99 Portsmouth Road, Southampton SO19 9BE

Tel: 023 8043 7673 **OP LDA YA**

Lavender House Care Home

166 Newtown Road, Southampton SO19 9HR

OP D Tel: 023 8254 4650

Linden House

44-46 Station Road, Sholing, Southampton SO19 8HH

Tel: 023 8042 2279 **OP D MH YA AD**

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Tel: 023 8068 5224

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Hill Street, Calmore, Southampton SO40 2RX Tel: 023 8086 9876

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OP YA Tel: 01962 383141 Advert below

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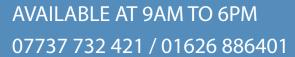


















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