

RESIDENTIAL AGED CARE FEES

There are three fees which you may be asked to pay in residential aged care:

1. **Basic daily care fee**

This fee is set by Department of Human Services. Currently is set at \$51.21 per day. This fee increases bi-annually March and September. **ALL residents are asked to pay this fee.**

2. **Accommodation payment**

Based on the outcome of your Assessment of Income and Assets by the Department of Human Services, your accommodation payment costs may be met:

- (a) In full by the Australian Government, or
- (b) In part by the Australian Government and part by you, or
- (c) In full by you

Our accommodation payment amount is set out in our application form, on our website and on www.myagedcare.gov.au website. You can pay the accommodation payment amount as either a lump sum, a daily payment or a combination of both. Should you choose not to complete the Assessment form, you will be asked to contribute fully to your accommodation payment.

3. **Means tested care fee**

This amount is determined and advised to you by the Department of Human Services based on the outcome of your Assessment of Income and Assets. Should you choose not to complete the Assessment form, you may be asked to pay the maximum amount.

For further information, or to use the myagedcare Fee Estimator, please refer to www.myagedcare.gov.au or 1 800 200 422.

We recommend that you seek financial advice regarding options for payment of nursing home fees as required.

Other information regarding our facilities:

- We offer a Residential Care Agreement for you to sign. This Agreement outlines the fees and charges applicable, what care and other services are included in the fees and charges. Please find attached a sample copy of the Resident Agreement.
- Nursing home fees are charged monthly in advance, and statements detailing the month's fees and any other applicable charges, are mailed at the beginning of the month.
- Payment of the account is by direct debit. A form is provided for you to complete providing us with the authority to do this.
- Pharmaceutical items will be billed directly to you by the pharmacy and will not appear on our statements.
- Other incidental expenses which may appear on the monthly statement include hair dressing and fees associated with any outings for example.