#### Homecare Frequently asked questions



#### Once I have enquired about homecare what happens next?

We will talk through your care needs and how much your private care will cost with you over the telephone.

### How long does an 'understanding you' visit take?

We allow two hours, but depending on your needs, it can be shorter or a little longer. We take the time to fully understand how to provide the right care for you.

## Can a family member or friend be with me for the 'understanding you' visit?

Yes, of course. You are at the heart of our care planning and want you to feel as comfortable as possible. We understand the important role that your family plays.

#### What happens after the 'understanding you' visit?

Care visits will be arranged in line with your wishes and your completed care plan. Your care plan gives details of the care that we deliver for you.

You can ask the names of the care workers that will be coming to support you and the times of the visits. The care will then start at a date convenient to you.





# What happens if I have an 'understanding you' visit and I decide that I no longer want the support?

That is fine and you have a 14-day 'cooling off' period should you change your mind without incurring any costs.

We can also adjust your care if your needs or situation change, just contact us to let us know.

#### What happens if I need to cancel a care visit?

Please let a care booking advisor know as soon as possible. We ask for at least 48 hours' notice to avoid incurring a cancellation charge.

#### How do I pay for my homecare?

Many clients choose to pay for their own care directly and choose us.

Some people may be eligible for help towards funding for homecare, please get in touch to find out more.

#### What protective equipment do the care workers wear?

All our care workers are equipped with visors, masks, gloves and aprons. They are fully trained and informed about the correct use of personal protective equipment (PPE).



#### Will I have the same care worker all the time?

We try to have a small team of care workers who between them make all your calls, this allows for our staff taking annual leave or sickness.

Occasionally you may have a care worker that you have not met before although we do try our best to avoid this where possible.

You can check which care worker will be making each of your care visits. Our care planning system means you can easily check this and other information.

#### What if I am not happy with my care and or care worker?

If for any reason you are not happy with the service provided, please get in touch as soon as possible. We want to make sure your care is of the quality you expect.

We have a booklet outlining how to make complaints and how they will be dealt with as well as how you can let us know that we're doing a great job. Please request a copy if you would like one.

#### How can you help and support me?

We can support you irrespective of age or condition. Our fully trained staff can provide registered homecare for you in your home or enable you to live more independently and to access community services.

Wherever you live in Cambridgeshire, Peterborough or Norfolk, we want to hear from you if homecare could help you or the person you care for.





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