

Issue 28

Leicestershire County Council support in June for adult social care providers, additional Covid-19 costs

Dear Colleague,

You will recall that Leicestershire County Council commissioned an organisation to examine the impact of Covid-19 on home care, residential care, and Supported Living providers' costs. The work, which examined real provider additional costs within home care, residential care and Supported Living, found that the majority of extra expenditure has related to Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

The analysis guided us in determining further financial support to you for May, which was described in bulletin 23.

Information previously released on support to adult social care providers can also be found in <u>bulletin 14</u> and <u>bulletin 18</u>.

This bulletin does not cover the allocation of the £6.7m Leicestershire Adult Social Care Infection Control Fund (ICF), for which information can be found as follows:

- 75% allocation to residential providers please see <u>bulletin 24</u>, <u>bulletin 26</u>
 and the ICF page of the website
- 25% allocation to home care and supported living providers a bulletin will be issued during week commencing 22nd June 2020.

Home care additional costs

The June payment will be calculated by applying £1.30 per hour to commissioned hours for the 4-week care period 1st June to 28th June. This is the same arrangement that applied for May, for which payment was made on 12th June.

Residential care additional costs

There will be a payment of £25 per service user, per week in Working Age Adults residential settings for June. The calculation will be based on the commissioned packages for the 4-week care period 1st June to 28th June. This is the same arrangement that applied for May, for which payment was made on 15th June.

There will be a payment of £25 per service user, per week for Older Adult banded rates for May. The calculation will be based on the commissioned packages for the 4-week care period 1st June to 28th June. The arrangement for May was 5% on banded rates and has been changed following further examination of providers' real additional costs. The May payment was made on 16th June.

Supported Living additional costs

There will be a payment of £25 per service user, per week in June. This is the same arrangement that applied for May, for which payment was made on 3rd June.

We are mindful that the elements of the Covid-19 financial package have been released incrementally over the past few weeks – we will be writing to providers individually later this month to summarise the support previously paid, and now available to their organisation. In that letter we will also explain how providers' additional costs incurred over and above the amounts paid by the authority will be considered. This will also apply to Community Life Choices service providers.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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