The costs of Residential Aged Care are determined by the Commonwealth Department of Social Services (DSS) and vary according to a resident’s income and assets, level of care, date of entry and whether or not the resident is a pensioner. The rates are reviewed regularly by DSS.

Costs include:
1. Basic Daily Fee
2. Means Tested Care Fee (if applicable)
3. Accommodation Payments (if applicable)

1. **Basic Daily Fee**
   The Basic Daily Fee is paid by all residents, typically at 85% of the single age pension.

Payable in advance on a monthly basis by all residents, from the date of admission:
- **Standard Resident Contribution** $49.42 per day

Fees confirmed by DSS following admission:
- **Protected Resident Contribution** $44.74 per day
- **Phased Resident Contribution** $49.07 per day
- **Non-Standard Resident Contribution** $55.71 per day

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1 These figures are current as at the time of printing and effective from 1 October 2017 to 19 March 2018. For current rates outside of this period, please refer to the Government website or contact the My Aged Care hotline. This information sheet is for indicative guidance only and should not be interpreted as a contractual document. Exact rates and fees change periodically.
2. **Means Tested Care Fee**

   This fee is means tested based on assessable income and assets. An annual cap of $26,566.54 and lifetime cap\(^2\) of $63,759.75 applies.

   The Means Tested Care Fee can range from as low as zero to as high as the sum of the basic subsidy amount and all primary supplements.

   A care recipient’s assessable income is determined using the same rules as used by Centrelink for pension purposes.

   The family home will continue to be exempt from any means testing where there is a protected person (a spouse or dependent adult child) residing in the home. Even when it is counted as an assessable asset (meaning it is not occupied by a protected person), only the first ~$162,815.20 is taken into account.

   For further specific information on the Means Tested Care Fee, please contact the My Aged Care phone line on 1800 200 422 or visit the My Aged Care website.

3. **Accommodation Payments**

   Our Accommodation Payment Deposits are listed on My Aged Care website.

   Accommodation payments are payable from the day of admission.

   Residents have the option of paying the accommodation payment as:
   - A fully refundable lump sum referred to as a Refundable Accommodation Deposit (RAD)
   - Periodic payments referred to as a Daily Accommodation Payment (DAP)
   - A combination of RAD and DAP

   Residents paying a combination of RAD and DAP may choose to pay the DAP or other fees by drawing them down from the RAD. This has the effect of reducing the refundable balance, and the facility can increase the DAP commensurate with the reduction in the RAD balance.

   residents have up to 28 days after entry to decide how to pay for their accommodation payment, though a decision can be made sooner if preferred, e.g. upon entry. A resident’s choice must be made in writing. Until a decision is made, the default payment choice applied is a DAP.

   If assets are above $47,500.00 and below $162,815.20 and income is $26,327.60 or less the Accommodation Payment will be calculated by the Department of Health and will be classified as a Contribution (Daily Accommodation Contribution). There is also a maximum accommodation payment applied which can be paid as a lump sum (Resident Accommodation Contribution).

\(^2\) The lifetime cap means that over your lifetime you will not be asked to pay more than $63,759.75 for all means tested care fees applied, whether they relate to home support or residential care or a combination of both.

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Refundable Accommodation Deposits applied to each Facility:

- Birralee – Single with Ensuite $500,000.00
- Huntingdale – Single with Ensuite $425,000.00
- Joondalup – Single with Ensuite $450,000.00
- Madeley – Single with Ensuite $450,000.00
- Onslow Gardens – Shared $470,000.00
- Onslow Gardens – Single with Ensuite $545,000.00
- Oxford Gardens – Shared $360,000.00
- Oxford Gardens – Single with Ensuite $450,000.00
- Redcliffe – Single with Ensuite $425,000.00
- South Lake – Single with Ensuite $425,000.00
- The Cove – Single with Ensuite $450,000.00
- The Oaks – Shared $340,000.00
- The Oaks – Single with Ensuite $425,000.00
- The Village – Shared $415,000.00
- The Village – Single with Ensuite $515,000.00
- The Village – Single without Ensuite $465,000.00

**Interest Rates**
Interest rates charged are set by DSS. The current interest rates applying to fees, bonds and charges are as follows:

- Refundable Accommodation Payment 01 October 2017 5.70%
- Accommodation Charge (deferred and overdue payments): 3.75%

**For Further Information:**
If you have any general queries regarding fees, please contact Brightwater Admissions on 1300 223 968.

For more detailed information, please contact My Aged Care on 1800 200 422 or visit the My Aged Care website [www.myagedcare.gov.au](http://www.myagedcare.gov.au).

For assistance with financial or legal matters, please speak to your financial planner and/or legal advisor.

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Financial Planning Advice

Brightwater Admissions is not able to advise you in regards to financial planning advice as we are not financial advisors. We recommend you speak to your own financial advisor. If you do not have your own advisor, you may wish to seek independent financial advice from a firm which specialises in financial advice for the Aged Care industry.

The names and contact details of two such firms are:

- WA Aged Care Financial Solutions - 1300 827 229, and
- Perpetual - 08 9224 4451 or 08 9224 4412.

Brightwater Care Group has no affiliation whatsoever with either of these two firms.

A free Financial Information Service is available through the Department of Human Services. Phone: 132 300

August 2016
Brightwater Services for Older People
Information and Application Guide.

Brightwater owns and operates some of Australia's most modern and progressive residential services. All Brightwater residences have been awarded the full three year Commonwealth Accreditation.

Brightwater provides a welcoming environment with familiar, home-like features, skilled staff and specialised facilities so our residents can feel comfortable and secure. Friends and family are always welcome and can enjoy well-tended landscaped gardens and private family rooms where they can chat over a cup of tea.

Each Brightwater site has access to a professional support team which includes Registered Nurses, Social Workers, Dieticians, Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists, Speech Pathologists, Podiatrists, Doctors, Pharmacists, and other specialists.

Expert help is always close at hand. A variety of services and activities is available for residents to enjoy including on-site hairdressing services, bus outings, gardening, cooking, quizzes, exercise groups, and entertainment by various performers.

Brightwater has close links with the local community and utilises resources such as local libraries to provide a door-to-door service. Residents are encouraged to pursue their own activities and maximise their independence.

Brightwater, as with all other care providers, is guided by the Commonwealth Department of Social Services and can only accept applications for residential aged care following assessment by an Aged Care Assessment Team (ACAT). To be referred to an ACAT, please consult your Doctor. Care facilities must offer places to people with the highest care needs, not the people who have had their name on the waitlist for the longest time. The needs of the person must match the place on offer. Different facilities are designed and tailored to meet the needs of different people.

Considering a move into a residential care facility can be stressful for the person involved and their family. Brightwater staff will consult with you as much as possible to ensure a smooth transition to residential care.

Please call our Admissions Service at Brightwater on 1300 2BE YOU between 8.00am and 4.00pm Western Australian time, Monday to Friday for more information.

For more information contact Brightwater Admissions on 1300 2BE YOU (1300 223 968)
Brightwater provides a welcoming environment with familiar, home-like features.

**Brightwater Temporary Residential Respite**
Everyone needs a break occasionally and for a carer, Brightwater’s Respite service gives you the time to re-energise, go on holiday or just attend the many other priorities in life. For the person you support it also gives them an opportunity to have a break too.

Brightwater offers temporary residential aged care respite at a number of facilities in the Perth metropolitan area. Respite is available to people who require many different levels of support, from low care through to supporting people with high levels of care needs including people living with dementia. At Brightwater there is a minimum stay for respite of one week. Respite is booked in week blocks (Monday to Monday) and you may be entitled to stay for up to 63 days.

To access Brightwater’s respite services, you will need a current respite ACCR (Aged Care Client Record). If you do not have an ACCR, you can arrange to be assessed through your Doctor.

The Department of Social Services subsidises fees for respite and sets the fee amount you are required to pay. The daily fee is approximately 85% of the full single aged pension. Please note that bookings must be made in advance and are subject to availability.

Please call our Admissions Service at Brightwater on 1300 2BE YOU to find out more about the Brightwater residential respite service. Our friendly Admissions staff are available to help you with your enquiries between 8:00am and 4:00pm Western Australian time, Monday to Friday.

**Brightwater At Home Services**
Brightwater At Home delivers services to people with low and high support needs within their own home. Home Care Packages are flexible programs of services developed in consultation with the individual (and carer) and tailored to meet their specific needs. Services can include clinical support, allied health services and other individual services to support and enable people to continue to live in their own home.

There are four levels of Home Care Packages:
- Level 1 – to support people with basic support needs.
- Level 2 – to support people with low level support needs.
- Level 3 – to support people with intermediate support needs.
- Level 4 – to support people with high support needs.

For assistance and advice regarding Brightwater At Home Services, please call 1300 2BE YOU.
Brightwater At A Glance

Brightwater is a not-for-profit organisation that supports people of all ages to live a better quality of life. The organisation’s services are extensive, from short and long-term residential accommodation and rehabilitation services, to assistance in the home and include specialist skills in supporting people living with Dementia, Acquired Brain Injury and Huntington’s Disease.

The internationally-recognised Brightwater Research Centre enables the organisation to keep innovating, to trial and measure outcomes to ultimately to deliver new ways to enhance the lives of our residents and clients.

Brightwater approaches care with a compassionate philosophy treating each client as a unique individual, and helping them to live the best life possible.

Our values, which guide us in everything we do are:

+ Care - We care about, and for, each other
+ Learning - We continually learn, in order to respond to our own and other people’s changing needs
+ Innovation - We harness our creative energy and transform it into activities and outcomes that make a difference
+ People - We recognise and respect each and every person and value all the relationships which connect us

Brightwater’s full range of services include:

+ Residential accommodation
+ Specialist Dementia Care
+ At Home Services
+ Respite
+ Rehabilitation
+ Services for people with disabilities
+ Linen Services
+ Seating and postural care
+ Retirement Living

Brightwater Aged Care Residential Accommodation

Services for Older People - we have 12 facilities from Mandurah to Joondalup.

Services we provide:

+ Residential Care
+ Transition Care
+ Special purpose facilities for people living with Dementia
+ Respite Services

For more information contact Brightwater Admissions on 1300 2BE YOU (1300 223 968)
Brightwater Birralee, Innaloo  
Residential care & Transition care  
60 Beds

Brightwater Huntingdale  
Residential care  
30 Beds

Brightwater Joondalup  
Residential care  
20 Beds

Brightwater Kingsley  
Transition care  
66 Beds

Brightwater Madeley  
Residential care  
110 Beds

Brightwater Onslow Gardens, Subiaco  
Residential care  
62 Beds

Brightwater Oxford Gardens, Joondalup  
Residential care  
61 Beds

Brightwater Redcliffe  
Residential care  
50 Beds

Brightwater South Lake  
Residential care  
30 Beds

Brightwater The Cove, Mandurah  
Residential care  
131 Beds

Brightwater The Oaks, Waikiki  
Residential care  
61 Beds

Brightwater The Village, Inglewood  
Residential care & Dementia specific care  
65 Beds

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