

29 April 2021

Our Ref: RFI 38693

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000
Information in relation to Consultancy Advice within the Elderly Sector.**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for information relating to above which you requested on 15 April 2021.

A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by the Nursing, Primary Care & Older People Directorate and is attached in Appendix A.

If you are unhappy as to how this request has been handled, you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. You should write to the Information Governance Department, Lough House, Ards Community Hospital (informationgovernance@setrust.hscni.net) within two months of the date of this response and your complaint will be considered and a response provided, within 20 working days of receipt.

If, after receiving a response, you remain unhappy, you can refer your complaint to the Information Commissioner at The Information Commissioner's Office –Northern Ireland, 3rd Floor, 14 Cromac Place, Belfast, BT7 2JB. It is important to note that if you refer any matter to the Information Commissioner, you will need to show evidence of having gone through the Trust's internal review procedure to try to resolve the matter with the Trust in the first instance.

If you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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Information Governance Assistant

Q1. We are looking to obtain an indication of the standard local authority fees the South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust pays for eligible elderly people in care homes or, if no standard flat rate is paid, an indication of the minimum/maximum/average rates paid for each category of care listed below.

2021/22 financial year rates:

- **Personal care / residential, elderly frail**
- **Personal care / residential, elderly dementia**
- **Nursing, elderly frail**
- **Nursing, elderly dementia**

(Please could you also state if your quoted nursing fees are inclusive or exclusive of the current NHS-funded nursing care (FNC) contribution.)

A1. Please see Attachment 1 - Independent Sector Care Home Tariffs.

Free Nursing Care (FNC) is available for the individuals who pay their own Nursing home fees.