

Funding and Service Agreement¹

Emergency Placement

(as an attachment to the FSAs of
Residential Care Homes for the Elderly and Nursing Homes)

This is a supplementary document applicable to the services of residential care homes for the elderly and nursing homes. It should be applied together with the Funding and Service Agreement (FSA) of the related services.

I Service Definition

Introduction

Emergency placement is provided in residential care homes for the elderly (RCHEs) and nursing homes (NHs) to offer temporary or short-term residential care service for elders. It serves the objective of preventing the elders from risks until their next-of-kin are located for the elders' restoration to families, or other alternatives are arranged.

Nature of service

Nature of service is the same as the requirements of the FSA for the particular type of residential service. Emergency placement of Care and Attention Homes caters for elders who have not yet reached the nursing home care level.

Target group

The target group of the service is elders who require immediate short-term residential care placement on a temporary basis.

Eligibility criteria

Elders aged 65 years or above² who meet the admission criteria of RCHE/NH³, the conditions (f) and (g) below, and one or more of the conditions (a) to (e) below may be accepted for emergency placement –

¹ This Funding and Service Agreement is a sample document for reference only.

² Persons aged between 60 and 64 may apply if there is a proven need.

³ Referring workers may make reference to MDS-HC in determining the type of service required, although MDS-HC assessment is not necessary for admission to emergency placement.

- (a) homeless without the prospect of immediate restoration to family; or
- (b) evicted (or facing imminent eviction) from the accommodation for various reasons; or
- (c) fit for discharge from hospital upon completion of medical treatment yet having difficulty in taking care of oneself or having no suitable care-givers to attend to; or
- (d) in acute immediate need of alternative placement due to relationship problem at existing residence and in weak health⁴ to the extent that immediate removal/transfer is necessary to avoid risks to lives, such as elder abuse cases; or
- (e) unable to be taken care of by care-givers owing to acute unforeseen crisis situation such as hospitalisation or imprisonment of care-givers or sudden deterioration of the elderly person's health conditions which cannot be coped with by the care-givers and community support services with the result that the elderly person's continuous stay in his/her home will pose dangers to his/her health; and
- (f) certified free from contagious diseases; and
- (g) mentally fit for communal living and having no persistent tendency to violence, self-destruction/self-injury or disruptive behaviour.

II Performance Standards

Essential service requirements and **Quality** are the same as the requirements of the FSA for the particular type of residential service.

For **Output**, "enrolment rate" is not set for emergency places*.
"Individual Care Plan" should be formulated for those elderly persons requiring more than one month's service.

⁴ Please refer to the respective criteria for admission to different types of residential service.

III Obligations of SWD to Service Operators

They are the same as the requirements of the particular type of residential service.

IV Basis of Subvention

They are the same as the requirements of the particular type of residential service.

- * For subvention purpose, **95% fee income** is calculated on total capacity (including respite places) less emergency places.