

ARE YOU A CARER?

Prepare for Care



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As a Carer, we know you are pushed for time.

There is so much to think about that the last thing you need from us is a lecture on legal issues. However, there are steps you and the person you care for, can take to help make life a bit more straightforward.

Getting started - getting organised

Do it:

Why?

Powers of Attorney

Choose who you want to make decisions on your behalf (Attorneys), decide how you would like them to act

Wills

To ensure the people you wish will inherit your estate and protect your assets by way of Trusts.

Know it:

- Carers assessment
- Best interests
- Paying for care
- Deferred payments
- NHS continuing healthcare
- Hospital discharge



Jargoned out?

Visit our website for more information.

“ I want to thank you for all your work you’ve done in making this uncomfortable situation easy. You are wonderful. Thank you so much for everything you have done for my family. ”

Client Feedback

The law surrounding health and social care is complex and full of jargon. Our clients tell us that they simply don't know whether they are getting the right information or just enough information so that they will do as they are told!

ALL the health and social care services that you, or a loved one, rely on are governed by detailed laws, policies and procedures. The more you know, the better chance you have of accessing services that meet your needs. It is worth taking stock from time to time and asking "what do I need and, what information could make this happen?"

“ We just wanted to let you both know how much we appreciated your professionalism and style which was calm, clear and the clarity which you explained the options available to us. We were so very lucky to have you both "on the case". Also thank you for caring, which you both clearly do. I know if my darling dad could, he would thank you both from the bottom of his big heart. ”

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There are so many 'myths' about care that put people off seeking help... "We have savings so we won't get anything"... "You only get continuing healthcare funding if you are nearly dying"... "I've been told a 'top up' is compulsory". If you are unsure ASK for information and help. This is especially important before you sign ANY legal document such as care contracts, deferred payment agreements and 'top ups'. These financial commitments are often more expensive than a mortgage, and you would (we hope) take advice before you sign!

“ You have shown great levels of sensitivity, professionalism and extra care while handling mum's affairs. I'm really grateful to you. It was all absolutely first class. ”

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Let us help

Our health and community care team includes solicitors, legal executives, legal assistants and a nurse. We use this diverse range of expertise to offer personalised support, advice and representation on all aspects of planning in later life and legal issues relating to health and social care.

Our work includes:

- Supporting a carer to challenge financial assessments in relation to a care package
- Challenging decisions to cut care, including respite care
- Advice and representation regarding NHS continuing healthcare assessments
- Advice and support to attorneys and Court appointed Deputies about how to fulfil their legal obligations
- Advice and Representation regarding applications to the Court of Protection
- Challenging 'best interest' decisions

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