

Moving On - Places to Live - Adult Placement

What is Adult Placement?

Sometimes you may need to move from your family home for one reason or another or maybe you would like to become more independent.

Adult Placement provides care and support for people who need 24 hour support. If you are an adult with disabilities you may want to learn new skills, have the opportunity to form new and meaningful relationships and experience living with other people as part of their family.

Adult Placement aims to provide people with these opportunities. You can do this by going to live with a family and sharing their home and experiences on a permanent basis. When a person goes to live with a family we call this a Long Term Placement. You can live with the family for as long as you and they are happy and your needs are being met.

Accessing the Service

You can access this Service through your Care Manager, if you have one, or the Adult Advice Assessment and Review Team following your Community Care Assessment when your eligible need was assessed.



If you were not assessed as needing 24 hour support, but you feel your circumstances have changed you can ask your Care Manager or Fair Access to Care Reviewing Officer to review your needs.

You may choose not to use our Service and make your own arrangements for support. You can do this by using a Direct Payment.

What is a Direct Payment?

Direct Payments are a way of arranging your own services instead of Bolton's Adult Services arranging them for you. You can use the money to meet your personal and domestic care needs. You can use the money to employ staff or pay an agency to provide the support you need. With a Direct Payment you are in control and you decide who supports you, how they do it, and when.

For more information about Direct Payments see information sheet number 7.

What do Adult Placement Workers do?

Adult Placement Workers arrange for you to be introduced to the family home of someone who has been vetted, trained and approved to provide the right level of support. People come from all walks of life and have varied lifestyles but more importantly they have a caring disposition. They are known as Approved Carers.

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The Service is flexible and tailored to meet your individual needs.

Adult Placement Workers take time and trouble to match you with the right Approved Carer. They make sure there are plenty of opportunities for you to meet and spend time together before any care begins. If during the getting to know each other time you do not get on well then an alternative Approved Carer would be found that is right for you.

Your Long Term Placement arrangements should provide you with one to one support that is consistent and meets your needs. You will be given the opportunity to develop and maintain existing relationships with your family members and friends.

The Adult Advice Assessment and Review Team or your Care Manager if you have one, will review the Long Term Placement arrangement after 6 weeks to make sure that you are happy and that your needs are being met.

The Placement will be reviewed thereafter at least once a year or earlier if there are changes in your needs or circumstances.

What do I do if I want to complain?

You can talk to your Care Manager or Adult Placement Worker about your concerns. Often, this will be all you need to do to sort your problems out.

Alternatively, you should contact the Customer Relations Team. More information about making a compliment or complaint can be found on information sheet number 23.

How much will I have to pay?

Adult Services have a Fairer Charging Policy which explains which services there is a charge for and which services there is not a charge for. The Fairer Charging Policy explains how the amount you may have to pay is calculated. For more information contact the following:

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