

## Circular No. CCD 2/2012

Directors of Social Work  
Chief Executives of Local Authorities  
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Dear Colleague

### **The Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2012**

This circular provides information about revised rates of Free Personal Care and Nursing Care Payments to self funders in care homes. The above regulations amend regulation 2 of the Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Regulations 2002 so as to increase the payment rates as from 1 April 2012.

Personal Care and Nursing Care payments to self funders in care homes are currently £159 per week for personal care and £72 per week for nursing care. Following consultation with COSLA and approval by the Scottish Parliament, the payments will be increased in line with inflation from 1 April 2012. This means that the current payment levels will be increased to £163 per week for personal care and £74 per week for nursing care. In line with the Concordat, local authorities have agreed to deliver the new rates from within the agreed local government settlement allocations provided for 2012-13.

Copies of the regulations referred to in this circular are available from the Stationery Office (telephone 0870 600 5522). They can be accessed on the Scottish Statutory Instruments section of the Office of Public Sector Information Website (**SSI 2012 No 109**) at:

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi>

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This circular is also available on Scottish Health on the Web at:

<http://www.show.scot.nhs.uk/sehd/ccd.asp>

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