



Aged Care (Amount of Flexible Care Subsidy — Multi-Purpose Services) Determination 2012 (No. 1)¹

Aged Care Act 1997

I, MARK BUTLER, Minister for Mental Health and Ageing, make this Determination under section 52-1 of the *Aged Care Act 1997*.

Dated 22 June 2012

MARK BUTLER
Minister for Mental Health and Ageing

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Part 1 Preliminary

1 Name of Determination

This Determination is the *Aged Care (Amount of Flexible Care Subsidy — Multi-Purpose Services) Determination 2012 (No. 1)*.

2 Commencement

This Determination commences on 1 July 2012.

3 Revocation of previous determination

The *Aged Care (Amount of Flexible Care Subsidy — Multi-Purpose Services) Determination 2011 (No. 1)* made by the Minister on 17 June 2011, also known as F2011L01160, is revoked.

4 Application

This Determination applies to a flexible care service that is a multi-purpose service.

5 Definitions

In this Determination:

adjusted subsidy reduction multi-purpose service means a multi-purpose service mentioned in Schedule 3.

Category A service means a multi-purpose service that:

- (a) meets the requirements of subsection 6(1); and
- (b) does not meet the requirements of subsection 8(3).

Category B service means a multi-purpose service that:

- (a) meets the requirements of subsection 7(1) or (3); and
- (b) does not meet the requirements of subsection 8(4).

Category C service means a multi-purpose service that meets the requirements of subsection 8(1), (3) or (4).

community care place means a place allocated in respect of a multi-purpose service for the provision of care equivalent to community care.

high care place means a place allocated in respect of a multi-purpose service for the provision of care equivalent to a high level of residential care.

low care place means a place allocated in respect of a multi-purpose service for the provision of care equivalent to a low level of residential care.

multi-purpose service has the meaning given by section 15.3 of the *Flexible Care Subsidy Principles 1997*.

region has the meaning given by Schedule 1 to the *Aged Care Act 1997*.

RRMA Classification means the 'Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Area Classification', 1991 Census Edition, published by the Australian Government Publishing Service, November 1994.

viability supplement equivalent amount, for a multi-purpose service for a day, means:

- (a) for a multi-purpose service that is a Category A service, a Category B service or a Category C service — the amount that is specified in Schedule 4 in respect of a care recipient to whom care is provided through the service on that day; and
- (b) for a multi-purpose service that is not a Category A service, a Category B service or a Category C service — \$0.

6 Category A services

- (1) A multi-purpose service meets the requirements of this subsection if:
 - (a) the service was in operation on 31 December 2004, and, on that date, the point score of the service would have been at least 60 points, under the scoring system set out in the following table; and
 - (b) on 1 January 2005, either:
 - (i) the point score of the service was less than 50 points, under the scoring system set out in the table in subsection 8(1); or
 - (ii) the point score of the service was at least 50 points, under that scoring system, and the viability supplement equivalent amount specified in Schedule 4 for a day in respect of the service as a Category A service was more than the viability supplement equivalent amount so specified in respect of the service as a Category C service.

Item	Criterion	Points
1	Location:	
2	(a) remote zone	40
3	(b) other rural area	30

Item	Criterion	Points
4	(c) small rural centre	20
5	(d) large rural centre	10
6	Beds:	
7	(a) less than 30	20
8	(b) less than 16	30
9	Service not co-located with another service and unable to co-locate	20
10	Supported residents, concessional residents or assisted residents:	
11	(a) over 70%	20
12	(b) 50% to 70%	10
13	Caters largely for special groups, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander groups	10

(2) For subsection (1):

- (a) a **location** of a particular kind is a statistical local area of that kind defined in the RRMA Classification; and
- (b) a service is taken to be unable to co-locate with another service if it is:
 - (i) not on the same site as, or on an adjoining site to, another multi-purpose service or residential care service; or
 - (ii) on the same site as, or an adjoining site to another multi-purpose service or residential care service, but the total of the residential places and non-acute beds on the same or adjacent sites is less than 45; or
 - (iii) more than 25 kilometres from the nearest residential care service; or
 - (iv) not more than 25 kilometres from the nearest residential care service, but the total number of places in both services is:
 - (A) for a service in a remote zone — less than 30 beds; or
 - (B) for a service not in a remote zone — less than 16 beds; and
- (c) points may be scored under only 1 paragraph in an item that has paragraphs.

7 Category B services

- (1) A multi-purpose service meets the requirements of this subsection if:
 - (a) the service was in operation on 31 December 2004, and, on that date, the point score of the service would have been at least 40 points, under the scoring system set out in the following table; and

- (b) on 1 January 2005, either:
- (i) the point score of the service was less than 50 points, under the scoring system set out in the table in subsection 8(1); or
 - (ii) the point score of the service was at least 50 points, under that scoring system, and the viability supplement equivalent amount specified in Schedule 4 for a day in respect of the service as a Category B service was more than the viability supplement equivalent amount so specified in respect of the service as a Category C service.

Item	Criterion	Points
1	Location:	
2	(a) very remote location	60
3	(b) remote location	50
4	(c) moderately accessible location	40
5	(d) accessible location	30
6	(e) highly accessible location	0
7	Places:	
8	(a) less than 20	30
9	(b) more than 19 but less than 30	20
10	(c) more than 29 but less than 45	10
11	More than 50% of care recipients are people with special needs (other than people who are people with special needs only because they live in rural or remote areas or they are financially or socially disadvantaged)	10

- (2) In this section:

accessible location means a location that has an ARIA score of more than 1.84, but not more than 3.51.

ARIA means the ‘Accessibility/Remoteness Index of Australia (ARIA)’, Occasional Papers Series No. 6, prepared by the Department of Health and Aged Care and the National Centre for Social Applications of Geographic Information Systems, University of Adelaide, and published in March 1999 by the Department of Health and Aged Care.

ARIA score, in relation to a location, means the score given to that location under the document titled ‘Viability Funding — ARIA scores for locations as at 30 July 1999’, published by the Department of Health and Aged Care.

highly accessible location means a location that has an ARIA score of not more than 1.84.

moderately accessible location means a location that has an ARIA score of more than 3.51, but not more than 5.8.

remote location means a location that has an ARIA score of more than 5.8, but not more than 9.08.

very remote location means a location that has an ARIA score of more than 9.08, but not more than 12.

- (3) A multi-purpose service meets the requirements of this subsection if:
- (a) the service commenced operating on or after 1 January 2005 and before 1 July 2005; and
 - (b) on the day that the service commenced operating:
 - (i) the point score of the service was at least 40 points, under the scoring system set out in subsection (1); and
 - (ii) either:
 - (A) the point score of the service was less than 50 points, under the scoring system set out in the table in subsection 8 (1); or
 - (B) the point score of the service was at least 50 points, under that scoring system, and the viability supplement equivalent amount specified in Schedule 4 for a day in respect of the service as a Category B service was more than the viability supplement equivalent amount so specified in respect of the service as a Category C service.

8 Category C services

- (1) A multi-purpose service meets the requirements of this subsection if, on or after 1 January 2005, the service:
- (a) is not a Category A service or a Category B service; and
 - (b) scores at least 50 points, under the scoring system set out in the following table.

Item	Criterion	Points
1	Location:	
2	(a) very remote location	65
3	(b) remote location	55
4	(c) moderately accessible location	40
5	(d) accessible location	30
6	(e) highly accessible location	0
7	Places:	
8	(a) less than 20	30
9	(b) more than 19 but less than 25	25
10	(c) more than 24 but less than 30	20
11	(d) more than 29 but less than 35	15
12	(e) more than 34 but less than 40	10
13	(f) more than 39 but less than 45	5

Item	Criterion	Points
14	More than 50% of care recipients are people with special needs (other than people who are people with special needs only because they live in rural or remote areas or they are financially or socially disadvantaged)	5

(2) In this section:

accessible location has the meaning given by subsection 7(2).

ARIA has the meaning given by subsection 7(2).

ARIA score has the meaning given by subsection 7(2).

highly accessible location has the meaning given by subsection 7(2).

moderately accessible location has the meaning given by subsection 7(2).

remote location has the meaning given by subsection 7(2).

very remote location has the meaning given by subsection 7(2).

- (3) A multi-purpose service meets the requirements of this subsection if the service meets the requirements of subsection 6(1) (that is, for a Category A service) and, on at least 1 day on or after 1 January 2005:
- (a) the service scores at least 50 points, under the scoring system set out in the table in subsection (1); and
 - (b) the viability supplement equivalent amount specified in Schedule 4 for a day in respect of the service as a Category C service is the same as or greater than the viability supplement equivalent amount so specified in respect of the service as a Category A service.
- (4) A multi-purpose service meets the requirements of this subsection if the service meets the requirements of subsection 7(1) or (3) (that is, for a Category B service) and, on at least 1 day on or after 1 January 2005:
- (a) the service scores at least 50 points, under the scoring system set out in the table in subsection (1); and
 - (b) the viability supplement equivalent amount specified in Schedule 4 for a day in respect of the service as a Category C service is the same as or greater than the viability supplement equivalent amount so specified in respect of the service as a Category B service.

Part 2 Amount of flexible care subsidy

9 Amount of flexible care subsidy

The amount of flexible care subsidy that is payable in respect of a day in respect of a multi-purpose service is worked out in accordance with the following method.

$$HCA + LCA + CCA + RSEA + CCAA$$

where:

HCA is the amount worked out by multiplying:

- (a) the amount that applies under subsection 10(1) or (2) (whichever is applicable) in respect of the day for a high care place allocated in respect of the service; and
- (b) the number of high care places allocated in respect of the service.

LCA is the amount worked out by multiplying:

- (a) the amount that applies under section 11 in respect of the day for a low care place; and
- (b) the number of low care places allocated in respect of the service.

CCA is the amount worked out by multiplying:

- (a) \$35.08; and
- (b) the number of community care places allocated in respect of the service.

RSEA is the respite supplement equivalent amount for the service in respect of the day under section 12.

CCAA is the amount worked out by multiplying:

- (a) the amount that applies under section 13 in respect of a day for a community care place; and
- (b) the number of community care places allocated in respect of the service.

10 Applicable amount — high care places

- (1) For a multi-purpose service that is not an adjusted subsidy reduction multi-purpose service, the amount that applies in respect of a day for a high care place allocated in respect of the service is worked out in accordance with the following method.

$$B + C + V$$

- (2) For an adjusted subsidy reduction multi-purpose service, the amount that applies in respect of a day for a high care place allocated in respect of the service is worked out in accordance with the following method.

$$(B + C + V) - (R \times \frac{F}{H})$$

- (3) In subsections (1) and (2):

B is \$114.54.

C is the concessional resident equivalent amount specified in Schedule 2 for the region in which the service is located.

V is the viability supplement equivalent amount for the service for the day.

- (4) In subsection (2):

R is \$11.54

F is the number of places mentioned in column 3 of Schedule 3 for the service.

H is the number of high care places allocated in respect of the service for the day.

11 Applicable amount — low care places

The amount that applies in respect of a day for a low care place is worked out in accordance with the following method.

$$B + C + V$$

where:

B is \$30.10

C is the concessional resident equivalent amount specified in Schedule 2 for the region in which the multi-purpose service in respect of which the place is allocated is located.

V is the viability supplement equivalent amount for the service for the day.

12 Respite supplement equivalent amount

The respite supplement equivalent amount for a multi-purpose service in respect of a day is the amount mentioned in the following table for the total number of high care places and low care places allocated in respect of the service.

Item	Total number of high care places and low care places	Respite supplement equivalent amount (\$)
1	Less than 11	\$46.76
2	More than 10 but less than 21	\$74.81
3	More than 20 but less than 31	\$84.15
4	More than 30 but less than 41	\$93.51
5	More than 40	\$102.86

13 Additional amount of community care subsidy

- (1) The amount that applies in respect of a day for a community care place is the amount (if any) that corresponds to the ARIA score for the location of the multi-purpose service, as set out in the following table:

Item	ARIA score for location of multi-purpose service	Additional daily amount of community care subsidy
1	ARIA score of 0 to 3.51 inclusive	\$0
2	ARIA score of 3.52 to 4.66 inclusive	\$4.14
3	ARIA score of 4.67 to 5.80 inclusive	\$4.98
4	ARIA score of 5.81 to 7.44 inclusive	\$6.96
5	ARIA score of 7.45 to 9.08 inclusive	\$8.36
6	ARIA score of 9.09 to 10.54 inclusive	\$11.69
7	ARIA score of 10.55 to 12.00 inclusive	\$14.03

- (2) In this section:

ARIA has the meaning given by subsection 7(2).

ARIA score has the meaning given by subsection 7(2).

Schedule 2 Concessional resident equivalent amounts

(sections 10 and 11)

Item	Location of multi-purpose service region	Concessional resident equivalent amount (\$)
New South Wales		
1	Central Coast	\$10.87
2	Central West	\$9.30
3	Far North Coast	\$9.89
4	Hunter	\$10.96
5	Illawarra	\$10.11
6	Inner West	\$11.33
7	Mid North Coast	\$10.37
8	Nepean	\$10.09
9	New England	\$6.68
10	Northern Sydney	\$6.51
11	Orana Far West	\$12.19
12	Riverina Murray	\$10.86
13	South East Sydney	\$10.72
14	South West Sydney	\$12.76
15	Southern Highlands	\$11.44
16	Western Sydney	\$10.19
Victoria		
17	Barwon South Western	\$6.66
18	Eastern Metro	\$6.02
19	Gippsland	\$6.31
20	Grampians	\$11.12
21	Hume	\$6.45
22	Loddon-Mallee	\$10.28
23	Northern Metro	\$10.19
24	Southern Metro	\$6.64
25	Western Metro	\$6.59
Queensland		
26	Brisbane North	\$9.93
27	Brisbane South	\$10.62
28	Cabool	\$10.67
29	Central West	\$9.30
30	Darling Downs	\$11.47
31	Far North	\$9.95
32	Fitzroy	\$5.83
33	Logan River Valley	\$11.61
34	Mackay	\$9.96

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35	North West	\$14.56
36	Northern	\$9.68
37	South Coast	\$10.96
38	South West	\$9.96
39	Sunshine Coast	\$6.72
40	West Moreton	\$11.13
41	Wide Bay	\$10.16
South Australia		
42	Eyre Peninsula	\$13.21
43	Hills, Mallee and Southern	\$11.57
44	Metropolitan East	\$10.67
45	Metropolitan North	\$10.84
46	Metropolitan South	\$10.90
47	Metropolitan West	\$11.94
48	Mid North	\$10.88
49	Riverland	\$12.07
50	South East	\$10.72
51	Whyalla, Flinders and Far North	\$11.01
52	Yorke Lower North and Barossa	\$11.34
Western Australia		
53	Goldfields	\$5.83
54	Great Southern	\$6.61
55	Kimberley	\$14.24
56	Metropolitan East	\$10.67
57	Metropolitan North	\$10.84
58	Metropolitan South East	\$10.90
59	Metropolitan South West	\$11.94
60	Mid West	\$13.00
61	Pilbara	\$14.00
62	South West	\$9.96
63	Wheatbelt	\$10.39
Tasmania		
64	North Western	\$10.52
65	Northern	\$9.68
66	Southern	\$10.99
Northern Territory		
67	Alice Springs	\$15.98
68	Barkly	\$18.30
69	Darwin	\$13.74
70	East Arnhem	\$18.30
71	Katherine	\$9.95
Australian Capital Territory		
72	Australian Capital Territory	\$11.24

Schedule 3 Adjusted subsidy reduction multi-purpose services

(sections 5 and 10)

Item	Multi-purpose service	Affected Places
1	Alpine Multipurpose Service	50
2	Apollo Bay Multipurpose Service	4
3	Augusta Multipurpose Service	12
4	Beverley Multipurpose Service	4
5	Corryong Multipurpose Service	20
6	Denmark Multipurpose Service	4
7	Eastern Wheatbelt Multipurpose Service	20
8	Grenfell Multipurpose Service	20
9	Kangaroo Island Multipurpose Service	5
10	Katanning Multipurpose Service	18
11	Lake Cargelligo Multipurpose Service	8
12	Leonora/Laverton Multipurpose Service	3
13	Mallee Track Multipurpose Service	30
14	Murchison Multipurpose Service	3
15	Nannup Multipurpose Service	5
16	Oberon Multipurpose Service	8
17	Orbost Multipurpose Service	15
18	Robinvale Multipurpose Service	14
19	Timboon Multipurpose Service	8
20	Trundle Multipurpose Service	4
21	York Multipurpose Service	7

Schedule 4 Viability supplement equivalent amounts

(sections 5, 6, 7 and 8)

1 Viability supplement equivalent amount — Category A services

- (1) For a care recipient to whom flexible care is provided through a Category A service on a day, the viability supplement equivalent amount for the day is the amount mentioned in the item in the following table that applies to the service on the day.

Item	Degree of Isolation	Number of places	Amount (\$)
1	Isolated Remote Area	less than 16	\$24.08
2	Isolated Remote Area	more than 15 but less than 30	\$14.81
3	Isolated Remote Area	more than 29	\$1.48
4	Remote Centre	less than 16	\$11.49
5	Remote Centre	more than 15 but less than 30	\$8.17
6	Remote Centre	more than 29	\$1.48
7	Rural Outside Large Centre	less than 16	\$4.84
8	Rural Outside Large Centre	more than 15 but less than 30	\$1.48
9	Rural Outside Large Centre	more than 29	\$1.48
10	An area not mentioned in items 1 to 9	not applicable	\$1.48

- (2) In this section:

Isolated Remote Area means a Statistical Local Area classified as ‘Other Remote’ in the RRMA Classification.

number of places, for a multi-purpose service, means the number of places allocated in respect of the multi-purpose service.

Remote Centre means a Statistical Local Area classified as ‘Remote Centre’ in the RRMA Classification.

Rural Outside Large Centre means a Statistical Local Area classified as ‘Other Rural’ or ‘Small Rural Centre’ in the RRMA Classification.

2 Viability supplement equivalent amount — Category B services

For a care recipient to whom flexible care is provided through a Category B service on a day, the viability supplement equivalent amount for the day is the amount mentioned in the item in the following table for the score attained by the service on the day under the scoring system set out in the table in subsection 7 (1).

Item	Score	Amount (\$)
1	40	\$1.48
2	50	\$1.67
3	60	\$4.84
4	70	\$8.17
5	80	\$11.49
6	90	\$14.81
7	100	\$24.08

3 Viability supplement equivalent amount — Category C services

For a care recipient to whom flexible care is provided through a Category C service on a day, the viability supplement equivalent amount for the day is the amount mentioned in the item in the following table for the score attained by the service on the day under the scoring system set out in the table in subsection 8 (1).

Item	Score	Amount (\$)
1	50	\$3.67
2	55	\$5.41
3	60	\$8.10
4	65	\$9.90
5	70	\$14.45
6	75	\$18.01
7	80	\$22.51
8	85	\$27.04
9	90	\$31.53
10	95	\$35.13
11	100	\$39.65

Note

Note

1. All legislative instruments and compilations are registered on the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments kept under the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003*. See <http://www.frli.gov.au>.