



Australian Government

Aged Care Pricing Commissioner

Mr Martin Pengilly
Chief Financial Officer
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Dear Mr Pengilly,

APPROVAL TO CHARGE HIGHER MAXIMUM ACCOMMODATION PAYMENT AMOUNT

I refer to your application under s 52G-4 of the *Aged Care Act 1997* (the Act) for approval to charge a higher than maximum accommodation payment as a Refundable Accommodation Deposit or the equivalent for the “Classic Room”, “Classic Plus” and “Premium Room” accommodation groups at the Horton House residential aged care home.

Your application for these accommodation groups was received by my Office on 18 January 2021.

Decision

1. Under section 52G-4(5) of the Act, I have approved a higher maximum accommodation payment amount for 20 rooms in the “Classic Room” accommodation group, as follows:

- \$950,000: this approved amount applies where there is one person resident in the room described.

The approved amount is the maximum amount that you may charge a person as an accommodation payment in the accommodation group described.

2. Under section 52G-4(5) of the Act, I have approved a higher maximum accommodation payment amount for 4 rooms in the “Classic Plus” accommodation group, as follows:

- \$1,000,000: this approved amount applies where there is one person resident in the room described.

The approved amount is the maximum amount that you may charge a person as an accommodation payment in the accommodation group described.

3. Under section 52G-4(5) of the Act, I have approved a higher maximum accommodation payment amount for 21 rooms in the “Premium Room” accommodation group, as follows:

- \$1,150,000: this approved amount applies where there is one person resident in the room described.

The approved amount is the maximum amount that you may charge a person as an accommodation payment in the accommodation group described.

The rooms approved in the above accommodation groups are as follows:

Accommodation Group	Number of Rooms	Room Numbers
Classic Room	20	11, 13, 14, 16 - 19, 31, 33, 34, 36 - 45
Classic Plus	4	12, 15, 32, 35
Premium Room	21	1 – 10, 20 - 30

Reasons

In deciding whether to approve the higher than maximum accommodation payment amount, I have considered the information provided by you in your application, and the factors that I am required to or may consider. These factors are set out in section 26 of the *Fees and Payments Principles 2014 (No. 2)* (the Principles). I find that the information you provided supports the accommodation payment amount for which you have sought approval.

Duration of approval

The approval to charge the maximum accommodation payment amount ceases to have effect at the end of 4 years beginning on the approval date specified in this letter, or if there is a change in the location at which residential care is provided through the service.

It is your obligation to seek approval to continue to charge a higher than maximum accommodation payment. To enable timely processing please seek to submit your application 60 days prior to your approval lapsing on 4 February 2025.

Indexation of approved amount

The amount of maximum accommodation payment approved may be indexed on the following dates:

- (i) 4 February 2022;
- (ii) 4 February 2023; and
- (iii) 4 February 2024.

Indexation is to be applied in accordance with the methodology set out in section 29(1) - (6) of the Principles.

Rules about charging accommodation payments

Division 52G of the Act and Part 4 of the Principles set out rules about charging accommodation payments.

Section 19 of the Principles requires you to make information publicly available in relation to a room, or part of a room, in the service. This includes information describing the key accommodation features, payment options, and the maximum accommodation payment amount. The approved price cannot be charged until it has been published.

Section 19(3) of the Principles provides that information about the maximum accommodation payment must (a) be published on the approved provider's website (if it has one); and (b) be given to the Secretary for publication by the Secretary; and (c) be included in written material to be given to prospective care recipients by the approved provider.

Further information

It is the obligation of providers to maintain accurate pricing information on the My Aged Care website.

If you have any questions about this approval, please contact the Office of the Aged Care Pricing Commissioner on 1300 550 970, email on acpcenquiries@acpc.gov.au or by mail to the Office of the Aged Care Pricing Commissioner, Locked Bag 5, Haymarket NSW 1240.

Yours sincerely,



John Dicer
Aged Care Pricing Commissioner

Approval date: 4 February 2021