



Mr Neil Wendt
Chief Executive Officer
Twilight Aged Care
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PYMBLE NSW 2073

Dear Mr Wendt,

Approval to charge higher maximum accommodation payment amount

I refer to your application under section 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 “Premium Room” and “Premium Suite” accommodation groups at Hunters Hill Village.

Your application for this accommodation group was received by the Office of the Aged Care Pricing Commissioner on 28 July 2022, now known as the Independent Health and Aged Care Pricing Authority.

Decision

1. Under section 52G-4(5) of the Act, I have approved a higher maximum accommodation payment amount for 13 rooms in the “Premium Room” accommodation group, as follows:

- \$700,000: 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 8 rooms in the “Premium Suite” accommodation group, as follows:

- \$850,000: 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 number
Premium Room	13	Ground Floor, Rooms HH-02A – 02B, HH-04, HH-06A – 06B, HH-09A – 09B, HH-11 – 12 (9 rooms) First Floor, Rooms HH-24, HH-28, HH31C, HH-32 (4 rooms)
Premium Suite	8	Ground Floor, Rooms HH-05, HH-10 (2 rooms) First Floor, Rooms HH-20 – 21, HH-23, HH-25 – 26, HH-29 (6 rooms)

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 the Authority is 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 at least 60 days prior to your approval lapsing on 30 September 2026.

Indexation of approved amount

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

- (i) 30 September 2023;
- (ii) 30 September 2024; and
- (iii) 30 September 2025.

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 indicated on the My Aged Care website that the proposed price is pending approval by the Independent Health and Aged Care Pricing Authority, you must update the accommodation pricing information on the My Aged Care website following this approval.

To update the accommodation pricing information relating to this approval on the My Aged Care website, please visit the Aged Care Provider Portal at <https://ebiz.agedcare.gov.au>. Updates to pricing information using the Portal are processed within 3 business days.

If you have any questions about the information published on My Aged Care, please contact the Department of Health at myagedcare@health.gov.au.

If you have any questions about this approval, please contact the Independent Health and Aged Care Pricing Authority by telephone on 02 8215 1100, by email on applications.accommodation@ihacpa.gov.au or by mail to the Independent Health and Aged Care Pricing Authority, PO Box 483, Darlinghurst NSW 1300.

Yours sincerely,



Joanne Fitzgerald
A/g Chief Executive Officer
Independent Health and Aged Care Pricing Authority

Approval date: 30 September 2022