



THE FINANCE CARE SERVICE

"A Helping Hand"

Appointeeship Service

The Finance care Service provides a trusted National Appointeeship service to protect and help Adults unable to manage their day to day financial affairs.

We are a not-for-profit organisation and once appointed by the Department for Work & Pensions (DWP) become the Corporate Appointee on behalf of the individual.

We have a friendly and supportive approach, helping a wide range of individuals including Adults with learning disabilities, Adults with mental health support needs and older Adults. Our Appointeeship Service includes:

- Liaising with Social Workers
- Opening an Appointeeship Bank Account
- Setting a Budgeting Plan
- Ensuring Welfare Benefits are claimed
- Paying bills and invoices
- Resolving accrued debt
- Ensuring funds are provided to the Adult as needed
- Supporting Carers and Support Staff

Our founding Solicitor (now non-practising) has substantial legal and Court of Protection Deputyship (Finance & Property) expertise having acted for a wide range of Clients including: Clients with learning disabilities; Clients diagnosed with Dementia/Alzheimer's/ Korsakoff's/Huntington's, drug users; the Elderly and Clients needing full time 24 hour care.

We assess the financial needs of each Adult we represent, communicating with Social Workers, Support Workers, Care Providers, Local Authorities, Professionals and Family Members to resolve financial needs and desired outcomes.

Our ethos is to make the lives of each Individual we represent the best possible place it can be on consideration and on-going assessment of available finances.

Why the Finance Care Service as an Appointee?

- Our service ensures that funds are used only for the Individual and in their best interests.
- Financial risk is minimised, giving Local Authorities, Social Care Professionals, Circles of Support and Advocates peace of mind for those to whom they owe a Duty of Care.
- We help Safeguard Individuals who may be at risk of financial abuse.
- We ensure all Individuals we support are in receipt of the correct Welfare Benefits.
- We work with Local Authorities to best meet desired outcomes for Individuals.
- We can provide pre-loaded Shopping Cards to members of the Individual's Support Circles to aid access to finances.
- We continuously assess the Individual's needs, finances and evolve how we can provide support to better help them and their Support Network.
- We provide a tailored remedy to the needs of each Individual we support.
- We are overseen by a Solicitor with years of Legal and Court of Protection Deputyship (Finance & Property) experience.

Shopping Card for Carers

Accessing the money of Individuals that they care for can be problematic for Carers.

Our Shopping Card for Carers provides a convenient and secure way for access to be provided to prearranged sums of money. Money is sent to a preloaded debit card, made out in the name of the Carer, which is then used in the same fashion as a Pay As You Go mobile phone. The card is loaded at agreed dates with a predetermined sum. It can be used in shops' points of sales and cash points as with a regular debit card.

We manage and oversee the service. We liaise with Carers and Care Managers to determine suitable transferrable sums. We confirm balances, order cards and monitor card use.

The Shopping Card provides an convenient, secure and accountable method of providing money to Persons involved in an Individual's circle of care.

If you would like this information in a different format, please contact us and we will do our best to meet your requirements.

"A helping hand, working towards a brighter future to resolve daily money management issues and helping to safeguard vulnerable adults."

Service Costs

Appointeeship Service

- Community Based Individuals- £59.00 per month
- Care/Nursing Homes and Hospital- £29.00 per month

Shopping Card for Carers

- Care Providers/Family Cards- £8.00 per month
- Account Opening Fee- £10.00
- Bank's Account Fee- £69.00 Annually
- Carer's Card Cost (New and Replacement)- £5.95
- Carer's Card Transactions- No Charge
- Cash Withdrawals from ATM's- £2.00

How to make a Referral

Referrals are usually made by Social Workers and Local Authorities following the outcome of a Needs/Capacity Assessment. There are 2 ways to make a referral:

- 1) Visit our website at www.financecareservice.org/referrals to make an electronic referral (takes around 10 minutes)
- 2) Or, telephone us on 0161 973 5759

For more information please visit our website

www.financecareservice.org



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