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# Paying for Care In Wales

Any of us may need care and support at some point in our lives. But how should we pay for it?

**The Welsh Assembly Government wants to know your views.**



The current system of paying for care for older and disabled people is over 60 years old, and needs to change if we are to meet increasing demand and higher expectations.

**The Welsh Assembly Government** wants to know your views on how we should pay for care in the future.

To find out more, and have your say visit [www.payingforcareinwales.net](http://www.payingforcareinwales.net) or e-mail [payingforcare@wales.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:payingforcare@wales.gsi.gov.uk).



## **What options are being considered by the Government?**

The UK Government thinks that the new way to pay for care should be based on a partnership between the individual and government.

This means that everyone who qualifies for care and support would have a proportion of their costs paid for by the government, but they would have to make up the rest themselves.

## **There are various ways people could prepare to meet their contributions.**

For example, people could choose to take out insurance in case they needed care in the future. When they needed care, the government would pay a proportion of the costs, and the insurance would pay for the rest. Or, everyone over retirement age who had the resources to do so could be required to pay into a state insurance scheme. Care and support would then be free when people needed it.

Changes could also be made to the disability benefits system, so that benefits such as Attendance Allowance are integrated with social care funding.

## **Are these changes right for Wales?**

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