



Care Act 2014

2014 CHAPTER 23

PART 1

CARE AND SUPPORT

Next steps after assessments

26 Personal budget

- (1) A personal budget for an adult is a statement which specifies—
 - (a) the cost to the local authority of meeting those of the adult's needs which it is required or decides to meet as mentioned in section 24(1),
 - (b) the amount which, on the basis of the financial assessment, the adult must pay towards that cost, and
 - (c) if on that basis the local authority must itself pay towards that cost, the amount which it must pay.
- (2) In the case of an adult with needs for care and support which the local authority is required to meet under section 18, the personal budget must also specify—
 - (a) the cost to the local authority of meeting the adult's needs under that section, and
 - (b) where that cost includes daily living costs—
 - (i) the amount attributable to those daily living costs, and
 - (ii) the balance of the cost referred to in paragraph (a).
- (3) A personal budget for an adult may also specify other amounts of public money that are available in the adult's case including, for example, amounts available for spending on matters relating to housing, health care or welfare.
- (4) Regulations may make provision for excluding costs to a local authority from a personal budget if the costs are incurred in meeting needs for which the authority—
 - (a) does not make a charge, or
 - (b) is not permitted to make a charge.

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Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Pt. 1 modified (1.4.2015) by [The Care and Support \(Isles of Scilly\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/642\)](#), arts. 1, **2(2)(a)**; [S.I. 2015/993](#), **art. 2(a)**
- C2** Pt. 1 applied in part (with modifications) (1.4.2015 coming into force in accordance with reg. 1(1)) by [The Care and Support \(Children's Carers\) Regulations 2015 \(S.I. 2015/305\)](#), regs. 1(1), **2(1)(a)(2)**, 4-12; [S.I. 2015/993](#), **art. 2(q)**
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Commencement Information

- I1** S. 26(1)(3) in force at 1.4.2015 by [S.I. 2015/993](#), **art. 2(g)**(with transitional provisions in S.I. 2015/995)
- I2** S. 26(4) in force at 1.10.2014 for specified purposes by [S.I. 2014/2473](#), **art. 2(1)(h)**
- I3** S. 26(4) in force at 1.4.2015 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2015/993](#), **art. 2(g)**(with transitional provisions in S.I. 2015/995)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 15(2)-(3B) substituted for s. 15(2)(3) by [2022 c. 31 s. 166\(2\)](#)
- s. 26(1)-(2A) substituted for s. 26(1)(2) by [2022 c. 31 s. 166\(4\)](#)