

# Step-by-Step for Care Providers

## How to Access the Fair Cost of Care Tool

Step 1 

### CONFIRM IF YOU WILL USE THE TOOL

The first step is to [confirm that your organisation will use the tool to participate in the cost of care exercise](#).

To help inform your decision, we have asked local authorities to let their local care providers know when they register for the tool themselves.

This decision MUST be made at an [ORGANISATIONAL LEVEL](#) and not at an individual care home level.

Step 2 

### CARE PROVIDER PRIMARY USER IDENTIFICATION

To access the fair cost of care tool, we need you to select [one person in your organisation who will take on the role of Primary User](#). We need one Primary User to register your organisation in the system at the start to avoid duplicating your organisation.

The Primary User will be able to [create an account](#) for their organisation in the fair cost of care tool. Once they have registered their care provider, they will be able to [add colleagues from their organisation to join as users](#).

Step 3 

### COMMENCE COST OF CARE EXERCISE

Once the Primary User from your care provider has created your account, [you will be able to share data for each of your care homes with the relevant local authorities](#).

\*Please note for large care provider organisations, you will need to [create an account for the group organisation](#) and NOT at an individual care home level. For this reason, the Primary User may be someone from your head office.