

Instructions for Homecare Providers Joining the DPS 2024-2029.

Instruction 1: Re-enrolment After Rejection

- Providers who are rejected during the enrolment process will not be able to re-enrol onto the DPS immediately.
- Re-enrolment can only take place one year after the initial rejection, the council will accept new providers on the DPS depending on the needs analysis and demand.
- Ensure all necessary requirements are thoroughly met before attempting to enrol again after the one-year period.

Instruction 2: Local Business Support and Office Requirements

- To promote local businesses, providers must have an operating office that meets the following conditions:
 1. The office should be CQC (Care Quality Commission) registered.
 2. The office must have been inspected and rated as either Good or Outstanding by the CQC.
 3. The operating office should be located within the postal code area of Milton Keynes City Council.

Instruction 3: Number of providers on the DPS

To better manage referrals and ensure the continued success of approved providers the council will implement a cap on the number of approved providers within the DPS. This approach aims to maintain a balance workload of providers promote the independence of service users and foster closer working relationships between the council and approved providers.

Providers interested in applying or continuing their participation in the DPS should be aware that once the system reaches its full capacity for approved providers no further providers will be added at that time.

The council will reserves its rights of approving the estimated number of providers on our DPS to meet the council's homecare demand. Once the council reaches full capacity in terms of required number of providers, we will publish a notification on our access group website. This notification will confirm that the DPS is closed for new provider enrolment applications and that current number of approved providers is sufficient to meet the demand of the council.

Providers should ensure that they meet both the re-enrolment and local office requirements to successfully join the DPS.

Milton Keynes City Council Homecare Needs Analysis (Children and Adults)

Period	Adults - LD, MH Autism	Adults - Memory and Cognition and Frail Elderly	Adults - Physical Disability	Children's - PD, LD, MH, Autism, Complex Needs	Children's - Short Breaks	Grand Total
2020	91	1272	547	3	56	1969
2021	53	532	192	13	63	853
2022	109	609	140	24	83	965
2023	106	747	66	26	70	1015
2024	7	463	13	35	71	589
Grand Total	366	3623	958	101	343	5391

2023/2024 - Weekly hours recorded for adults were 14058, and 897 hours for children/ young people

