



Beaumont Terrace

General Information

The Hutchinson Healthcare Group operates one of the largest Residential Aged Care portfolios on the NSW Mid North Coast. We currently operate Beaumont Terrace, a 130 bed Aged Care Facility in Tuncurry; Alma Place, a 120 bed Aged Care Facility in Taree and Barclay Gardens, a 100 bed Aged Care Facility in Forster. All are in superior locations within close proximity to medical facilities, local clubs and recreational facilities.

Beaumont Terrace offers the following accommodation options

- 50 Low Care Rooms
- 30 High Care Extra Service Rooms
- 13 Dementia-Specific places
- 37 High Care places

All Low Care and High Care Extra-Service rooms are private rooms with en suite, with adjoining suites available upon request. Although not always possible, all attempts will be made to accommodate residents in a private room.

Our Services

Beaumont Terrace offers its residents:

- Deluxe living areas
- Regular outings & daily activities
- Freshly cooked meals on site
- Hair Salon

How to Apply

To apply for permanent or respite care at Beaumont Terrace, simply forward to us:

- Your completed Application for Entry booklet;
- A copy of your Current ACAT Assessment;
- A copy of your Power of Attorney if applicable; and
- A copy of your Financial Assessment if applicable.



Your Move Into Aged Care

Aged Care Assessment Team

Aged Care Assessment Teams (ACAT) are teams of health professionals, such as doctors, nurses or social workers who assess your eligibility for entry into residential aged care, in either low level care or high level care. You can contact ACAT directly on (02) 6515 1800, or your doctor or local hospital can provide a referral to your nearest ACAT.

Once a member of an ACAT has assessed your needs, he or she will leave you with a copy of your completed assessment. If assessed as eligible, you should keep this copy of the assessment as it is the approval for your move into residential aged care.

Health and Personal Care

Beaumont Terrace's main concern is to look after your needs. Once you have moved in we will discuss your care needs with you and your family. Our staff will then develop a care plan for you to ensure that each and every staff member knows what you need.

You have the option of choosing your own doctor. If your current doctor does not visit Beaumont Terrace we will help you to choose another doctor. Beaumont Terrace will also help you to obtain any health care services you need, such as physiotherapy, podiatry, optometry and dental treatment.

Ageing in Place

It is possible in some aged care facilities for you to receive care at low level or high level in the same place of residence. This means that you don't need to move as a result of changing care needs. This is called 'ageing in place'. Beaumont Terrace staff are qualified and trained to support residents with both low level and high level care needs.

What Can I Bring?

Beaumont Terrace will provide most of the furniture and furnishings you need, including beds, bedside tables and wardrobes. Some examples of belongings that you may bring into Beaumont Terrace are a favourite chair, a television, small table or dresser, bar fridge, video player, radio and books.

Recreational Activities

Beaumont Terrace offers social and other activities and you will be encouraged to take part in as many activities as you like. These activities are organised within our facility and will often involve other community groups. We have activities officers who will discuss your hobbies and interests with you, and help you to continue with them whilst you are at Beaumont Terrace.

Menu

Meals at Beaumont Terrace are freshly cooked on site by our chefs and will offer you a healthy and well-balanced diet that takes into account your likes, dislikes and medical needs. The meals offered will also be fitting for your dietary requirements or religious beliefs.

Social Leave

You may take a holiday away from Beaumont Terrace at any time, for up to 52 nights per financial year. You will continue to pay your usual fees whilst on leave however, you can stay overnight or longer with your family or friends without paying an extra fee. This is called social leave and only counts if you stay away overnight.

If you have to go to hospital your absence will not be counted as leave.

Private Health Insurance

Private health insurance does not cover fees and charges for Beaumont Terrace. However, your private health insurance will cover you for some or all of the costs of being a private patient in either a public or private hospital, and for a range of other items not covered by Medicare.



Frequently Asked Questions

What is an Accommodation Bond?

An accommodation bond (the bond) is an amount you may be asked to pay when you enter Low Care or a High Care Extra-Service place if you have assets valued at over \$40,500.00. It is like an interest free loan to Beaumont Terrace and by law it must be used to improve building standards, and the quality and range of aged care services provided.

Are there any advantages in paying a bond?

Yes, there may be considerable advantages in paying an accommodation bond. Amounts placed in accommodation bonds are exempt from asset tests and may provide significant taxation and pension benefits. Beaumont Terrace is able to provide details for aged care financial advisers and always recommends that families seek independent advice.

How much bond will I pay?

The amount of the bond is to be agreed between you and Beaumont Terrace and bond amounts can vary widely between residents. **You can not be charged a bond which would leave you with less than \$40,500.00* in assets.** Please discuss the minimum Accommodation Bond required for entry into Beaumont Terrace.

What happens to the accommodation bond?

Beaumont Terrace will hold the bond in a secure and accessible form which meets the Commonwealth Government's prudential arrangements. Beaumont Terrace is allowed to deduct monthly amounts called retention amounts from the bond and the current monthly rate is \$318.00 which is set by the Department of Health and Ageing. This amount is fixed at the rate applying at your date of entry. **The balance of your bond is refunded to you or your estate when you leave Beaumont Terrace.**

Will my bond be protected?

Yes. There are strict prudential regulations to secure accommodation bonds and the Government guarantees **all** accommodation bonds. This scheme provides extra financial security for residents and their families.

Is there an alternative to paying the bond as a lump sum?

Some families are reluctant to pay an accommodation bond because it may require them to sell the family home. As an alternative you may prefer to pay an ongoing monthly charge called a periodic payment, or pay a lump sum and a reduced periodic payment. This payment involves both the retention component and the interest component

Do I have to have an Assets Assessment?

It is not compulsory for everyone entering aged care to have an assets assessment. Assets Assessments are necessary only if a person wants to establish their eligibility for an Australian Government subsidy for part of their aged care accommodation costs.

Note: If you have a spouse or de facto partner, you are considered to own half of your combined assets. Even if you don't own an asset, it may be considered as yours for assessment purposes.

What if I am not eligible to pay a bond?

If you can not afford to pay a bond you will not be asked to do so, but you will still receive the care you need. If your assets are worth less than \$40,500.00 you will become eligible for accommodation assistance from the Australian Government.

What is a Resident Agreement?

A resident agreement is a legal agreement between you and Beaumont Terrace. It sets out resident's rights and obligations, and the rights and obligations of Beaumont Terrace. The agreement will include information about the level of care needed, the amount of the accommodation bond, daily fees and the extra services provided and associated costs. It is strongly recommended that you seek independent advice before signing your agreement. The resident agreement must be signed within 21 days of entering Beaumont Terrace.

How much privacy will I have?

Beaumont Terrace recognises the importance of personal privacy and staff members will always respect your wishes concerning your care and personal belongings.

Beaumont Terrace offers its residents twelve separate living areas and a private dining room so that residents can entertain their family and friends in privacy.

What will happen with my money?

Beaumont Terrace encourages residents to maintain control of your financial affairs. Beaumont Terrace will offer its residents a direct debit system which will allow you to pay your bills automatically. Alternatively, you may be able to have your pension directed to Beaumont Terrace so that other costs, such as chemist bills, can be deducted.

How do I pay the weekly fees?

You or your representative will be sent an account on a monthly basis payable in advance. The payment methods available are direct debit or direct deposit. No cash or cheques will be accepted.

What is an 'Extra Service' facility?

An Extra Service facility is one that has been recognised by the Commonwealth Government as providing a significantly higher standard of accommodation and services than the average standard in residential aged care services. Facilities approved for extra service status are required to provide a significantly better combination of accommodation, food and services which may include items such as larger rooms, en suite facilities, quality furnishings and recreational areas or increased levels of service particularly in relation to the choice and quality available in food and domestic services.

In return for the higher costs involved in meeting Extra Service requirements the facility is entitled to require residents to pay additional charges. It is important to note that Extra Service does not mean that residents will be provided with a higher level of care. All aged care services are required to provide the same high standard of care to all residents.