

Brightwater Piara Waters

Fees and Charges

Brightwater Piara Waters provides Specialist Disability Accommodation (SDA) and Supported Independent Living (SIL) long term accommodation for adults with Huntington’s Disease. Short-and-medium-term accommodation may be available as a trial or as a transitional option while exploring long term housing solutions.

The following provides an overview of the different fee types for Brightwater Piara Waters:

1. Charges for SDA

- These charges pay for the accommodation built to meet the SDA design standard. Brightwater Piara Waters meets the requirements for high physical support.
- The pricing is determined by the NDIS Price Guide.

2. Charges for SIL support

- These charges pay for the care workers to provide the care and support services.
- The pricing is determined by the NDIS Price Guide and applies to all clients - NDIS participants and non-NDIS clients (see the NDIS website for more information).
 - NDIS participants are charged the NDIS SIL funding amount specified in the NDIS plan, for the period specified, and consistent with the agreed schedule of shared supports. Should you need more direct care support than what is funded, please discuss options with your Support Coordinator.
 - Non-NDIS clients are billed for services as per the Client Fees Agreement.

3. Daily fees for board and lodging

- All Brightwater SIL and SDA clients are charged a mandatory daily fee for board and lodging which pays for property, food and other consumable costs. This daily fee is calculated according to pension rates as outlined below.

Piara Waters SDA and Piara Waters SIL

	Board and Lodging (Accommodation) Charges	Amount per item	Charge per Fortnight	Rent per fortnight	Service per fortnight	TOTAL per day
SDA	25% of DSP (for over 21 year olds)	\$ 255.15	\$ 477.85	\$ 463.75	\$ 14.10	\$ 34.13
	(plus) 25% Pension Supplement	\$ 20.40				
	(plus) Rent Assistance	\$ 188.20				
	(plus) Energy Supplement	\$ 14.10				
SIL in SDA house	50% of DSP (for over 21 years old)	\$ 510.30	\$ 510.30		\$ 510.30	\$ 36.45
Total			\$ 988.15	\$ 463.75	\$ 524.40	\$ 70.58

The total daily fee as of March 2024 is 70.58 and is reviewed twice a year (March and September) in line with Services Australia pension rate changes (see Services Australia for more information).

**Eligibility for rent assistance is means tested. Clients who have financial assets, such as property, may not be eligible for rent assistance. All clients will be charged the full daily fee and may require paying directly for any part of the fee not covered by pensions and supplements.*

The following illustration summarises the fee categories mentioned above and highlights items that are covered by the fees and items that are NOT covered by the fees:

Charges for SIL supports

Included:

- Individualised, goal-based support facilitated by disability support staff
- Personal care assistance
- Domestic support
- Medications management and administration
- Preparation of meals and snacks
- Review meetings
- Transport to appointments, at the discretion of site due to limited Brightwater vehicles. If you have NDIS transport in your plan, you will be expected to use these funds.

Charges for SDA

Included:

- Private room with ensuite
- Built in cabinetry with storage
- Personal TV in room
- Accessibility enabled, with rooms prepared for hoist installation if required
- Security features at key entry points
- A community feel, sharing services and communal living spaces between neighbours
- Beautiful shaded outdoor areas for community activities
- Parking for family and friends

Daily Fees for board & lodging

Included:

SDA Rent/Lodging

- Rent (property and maintenance costs)

SDA Board

- Utilities (water, gas, electricity)
- WIFI

SIL Board

- Food (3 meals per day plus snacks, tea and coffee)
- Non-Food consumables (cleaning products, house supplies)

Excluded:

- Personal toiletries (body wash, toothbrush/toothpaste, deodorant etc.)
- Clothing
- Bedding
- Towels
- Pharmacy costs
- Meal supplements (not included, but may funded in clients NDIS plan)
- General Practitioner and specialist services (such as massage, reflexology and podiatry)
- Online streaming services in client bedrooms
- Hairdressing
- Non-Brightwater transport and leisure activities
- Ambulance (if you do not have Ambulance private cover, all call-out fees and any transport from hospital will be charged to your account).

For Brightwater clients accessing short or medium term accommodation options, pricing is all-inclusive of daily supports, board and lodging as outlined in the NDIS Price Guide (see Short Term Accommodation or Respite | NDIS and Medium Term Accommodation | NDIS).

Thank you very much for considering Brightwater Piara Waters, we look forward to meeting your accommodation needs.

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