Aged Care Residential Accommodation Pricing

Great Ocean Road Health Lorne Campus

Entry Process

Before entering Great Ocean Road Health aged are residence, all of the following three steps must be undertaken by the incoming residents (or their representative).

1. **ACAT/ACAS/NSAF Assessment**

This assessment lets us know what type of care a prospective residents may require, and allows us to claim government funding to reduce fees. Aged Care assessments are conducted by external assessment agents called ACAS teams.

Your local GP or health care provider can assist with arranging an assessment, or you can arrange directly via My Aged Care by calling 1800 200 422 or emailing myagedcare.gov.au. Please note, there is usually a wait time for assessments, so please organise in advance.

2. **Centrelink/ DVA Assessment**

The government requires those who can afford to contribute more towards their care to do so.

As such, every person entering aged care, including those applying for a financially supported place, must have an Assets and Income Assessment. This Assessment will determine if a resident qualifies for a government supported place or will pay an additional Means Tested Care Fee.

The type of form to be completed will depend on your circumstances.

- SA485 – Pensioner & Home Owner
- SA457 – Non-Pensioner
- Pensioner & non-home owner – please call Centrelink 1800227475 or DVA 1800555254

Forms can be obtained by Google searching the form name and downloading a PDF version, or by accessing the website: https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/ or by calling 1800 227 475.

Great Ocean Road Health application form

An application form must be completed by all persons interested in becoming a resident at Great Ocean Road Health - Lorne or Apollo Bay.

Our application forms are available directly from our website or by calling our Lorne campus on 03 5289 4300.

Aged Care Fees and Charges

What fees can I be asked to pay in residential aged care?

1. **Basic Daily Fee (mandatory)**

Every person in residential aged care is required to pay a Basic Daily Care Fee (DCF), which covers your day to day living costs such as meals, cleaning and laundry. This fee is set by the government and is based on 85% of the single Australian Aged Pension. The Australian Government review this fee on 20th March and 20th September in line with the pension.

2. **Hotelling & Non-Clinical Care Contributions - Centrelink Assessable**
   (previously referred to as a Means Tested Care Fees (MTCF)

Some people may be asked to contribute to the cost of care. The Department of Human Services (Centrelink) will work out if you're required to pay these fees based on an assessment of your income and assets and will advise you of the amounts.

If you are a couple, the assessment will consider half your combined income and assets.

The Hotelling Fee is capped daily, there is no annual or lifetime cap. The Non-Clinical Care contribution is capped daily and will cease when either the lifetime capped dollar amount is reached or they have paid it for a total of 4 years.

3. **Accommodation Payment**

Some residents will have their accommodation costs met in full or part by the government, while others will need to pay the accommodation prices agreed to with Great Ocean Road Health. The Department of Human Services (Centrelink) will advise you which applies to you based on an assessment of your income and assets. If you are not eligible for government support and are required to pay for your accommodation costs personally, there are payment options available.

Our Lorne Aged Care Nursing Home is a high level care facility with 20 long term high level care beds and one flexible respite bed, which can cater for high and low level care needs.

The home has a relaxed atmosphere with caring and motivated staff to manage each resident's requirements. We offer a range of services from activities programs, physiotherapy, podiatry, dietician, speech therapy, palliative care and volunteer program to name a few. Being a small facility has its benefits of a family like environment, which the residents feel secure and safe in.

Our facilities are excellent with a mixture of single and shared (double) rooms. Each room has its own en-suite. The facility also has a garden area, activities room and a balcony that overlooks the stunning Lorne bay and the Great Ocean road. Doctor services are provided through the on-site General Practice, ensuring prompt care if required. All meals, including morning and afternoon tea are provided and serviced in the dining room.

Accommodation Pricing Options

Option 1 – Refundable Accommodation Deposit (RAD), or Refundable Accommodation Contribution (RAC)

A one-off lump sum payment that is partially refundable at the end of your stay with us.

Under the New Aged Care Act, as of 1 Nov 2025, Providers are required to regularly deduct part of each resident's RAD or RAC. The amount to be deducted is 2% per annum and is limited to 5 years.

These retention amounts do not need to be refunded on exit.

Option 2 – Daily Accommodation Payment (DAP), or Daily Accommodation Contribution (DAC)

The lump sum price is converted into a daily payment, which is charged at the maximum permissible interest rate (MPIR) set by the Department of Health.

This daily payment (DAP or DAC) will be indexed by CPI on 20 March & 20 September each year.

Option 3 – Combination

The accommodation cost is paid by a combination of RAD and DAP. You can choose the RAD amount and this will then adjust the amount you pay via the daily charge.

Room Size	Pricing Options	Room Features
Single room with en-suite *16 x 17m*	1. RAD $350,000 2. DAP $76.32/day 3. 50% RAD $175,000 50% DAP $38.16/day	Single rooms with en-suite, electric height adjustable beds air conditioning, TV, free Wi-Fi
Shared room with en-suite *16 x 17m*	1. RAD $350,000 2. DAP $76.32/day 3. 50% RAD $175,000 50% DAP $38.16/day	Single rooms with en-suite, electric height adjustable beds air conditioning, TV, free Wi-Fi
Shared room with shared en-suite *16 x 17m*	1. RAD $350,000 2. DAP $76.32/day 3. 50% RAD $175,000 50% DAP $38.16/day	Single rooms with en-suite, electric height adjustable beds air conditioning, TV, free Wi-Fi
Deluxe single room (Rm 8 & 9) with en-suite & sea view *16 x 17m*	1. RAD $450,000 2. DAP $98.14/day 3. 50% RAD $225,000 50% DAP $49.07/day	Premium rooms with private balcony, en-suite, air conditioning, flat screen TV and sea views.

For further information on any of the above information or pricing, please contact;

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