

Current position

- Large variation in day care rates and provider costs.
- A few providers also have 1 to 1 hourly support.
- Need to have a more standard pricing arrangement.
- Lack of costing data from providers.

Establishing day care rates

- Methodology aimed at establishing two rates (standard and complex rate).
- Template sent to providers requesting costing information.
- Response to request for information was very low.

Proposal for day care rates

Establishment of rates

- Use of provider data information that we had for which we could establish a unit cost.
- The bulk of the costing data related to the business units within one provider.

Proposal for day care rates (cont)

- Variation in rates.
- Median rate £66.
- The average the rate above the median is £43 and below the average was £99.
- These will be the two rates that we are proposing for consideration today.

Way ahead

- Providers will be kept on prevailing rates for their existing clients.
- The new rates will be applied to all new service users requiring support.
- Also the rate may changes following a review of the service user by a social worker.