

CWM TAF HEALTH BOARD
RHONDDA/TAFF ELY LOCALITY

**CRITERIA FOR PROVISION
OF PROFILING BEDS**

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The Rhondda/Taff Ely Locality provide Minuet Profiling beds following a District Nursing assessment for individuals meeting one or more of the criteria listed below:

- Life limiting/end stages of life e.g. terminally ill
- Medical grounds e.g. pulmonary oedema, gross pitting oedema of legs
- Health and safety of district nursing staff to assist with manual handling issues

EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- Long term beds for chronic conditions
- Health and safety issues of other agencies
- Patients with infrequent district nursing intervention
- Long term beds for 'comfort'

REFERRAL PROCESS

If following assessment the patient meets the above criteria, responsibility for requesting the profiling bed lies with the District Nurse Team Leader.

- Requisition for medical aids form to be fully completed including the environmental risk assessment, patient weight and height. Appropriate cot sides/bumpers [if required]
- Forward to the Senior Nurse [District Nursing]/Professional Support and Development [District Nursing] at the Community Health Office, Heol Draw, Upper Church Village.

N.B.

- All patients must be informed that the provision of the bed is on a short term basis and their eligibility will be re-assessed on a monthly basis
- Minuet 1 beds are only suitable for adults who are under 5' 10" and 25 stone
- Minuet 2 beds are used for taller patients or for patients who require the full length safety sides
- Any special requirements should be discussed with the Community Manager [District Nursing]/Professional Support and Development [District Nursing]