

Sector Pulse Check

A snapshot of finances
and workforce in the adult
social care sector in 2022



#SectorPulseCheck



Hft and Care England
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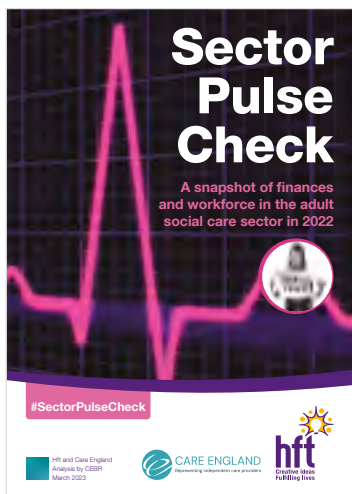


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Hft is a care provider



Care England is an organisation that speaks for **care providers**.

This booklet tells you about:

- Some questions we asked other **care providers**
- What we found out, and
- What we would like to happen



Talk with your supporters about this booklet.

Note to your supporters:

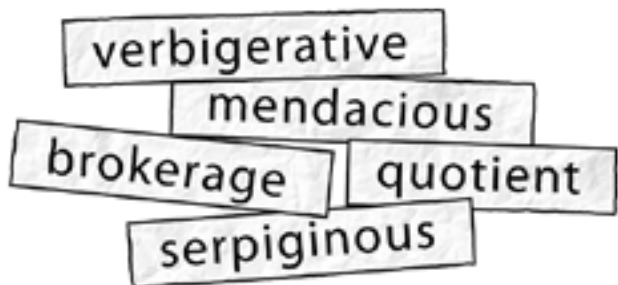
The aim of this booklet is to communicate the main findings of the Sector Pulse Check report.

This has been written using easy read format. Some people will need their support workers to read this with them or to use an alternative communication method.

What is in this booklet



Part 1



Hard Words

This part tells you about some of the hard words.

Part 2

What the Sector Pulse Check report is

This part tells you what the Sector Pulse Check report is about.



Part 3

What we found out

This part tells you about the main discoveries.



Part 4

What you can do

This part tells you about how you can share the report.





This part tells you about:

- The hard words that are in the Sector Pulse Check report

There are some hard words in the report. They are explained here.

verbigerative

mendacious

brokerage

quotient

serpiginous



Care Providers

Care providers are organisations that support people to live their lives.

They help lots of different people for example:

- People with a learning disability
- Older people



Staff vacancies

Staff vacancies are when **care providers** are looking for more people to work in their services to give support.

Politicians

The people that run the country are called **politicians**.

They make important decisions that can affect people's lives.

For example politicians make important decisions that can change:

- How people with a learning disability get support
- How much money **care providers** are given

Rishi Sunak is a **politician**.



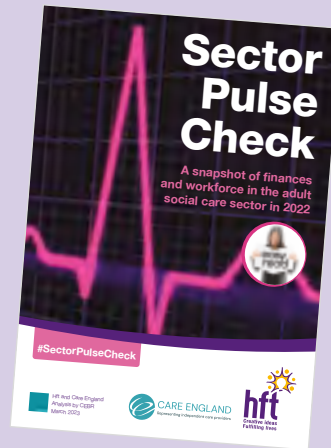
Part 2:

What the Sector Pulse Check report is



This part tells you about:

- What the Sector Pulse Check report is about



Hft and Care England asked care providers some questions about:



How much money they have.



How they are saving money.



Whether they have enough staff.



We used what they said to write the Sector Pulse Check report.



We use the report when we talk to **politicians**.



It helps them understand what changes need to happens so:

- **Care providers** have enough money
- **Care providers** can give good care and support

Part 3: What we found out



This part tells you about:

- What we found out

We found out about two main things:

1



How much money **care providers** have.

2



If **care providers** have enough staff.



1



The first thing we found about was how much money **care providers** have.



We found out that most **care providers** don't have any money or the amount of money they have is getting smaller.

The things that are costing **care providers** lots of money include:



The high cost of paying staff.



The cost of energy bills for things like gas and electricity.



To save money, **care providers** have been forced to do things like:



Think about closing down their services which give care.



Offer support to less people.

What Hft and Care England would like **politicians** to do:



Give **care providers** more money to help pay staff more.



Keep giving **care providers** money that helps them pay for energy bills.



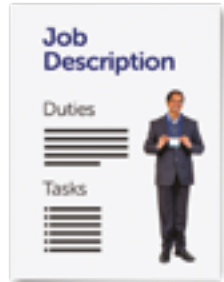
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The second thing we found out about was if **care providers** have enough staff.



We found out that social **care providers** had lots of **staff vacancies** last year.



It was hard for **care providers** to find new staff.

Because they didn't have enough staff:



Lots of care providers could not give support to people who were asking for it.



Some **care providers** had to close down services.



Care providers said more people would work in social care if they were paid more money.



They also said they would want to work in social care if there were clear ways to get promoted.



Hft and Care England want **politicians** to:



Make sure social care staff are paid the same amount of money as NHS staff.

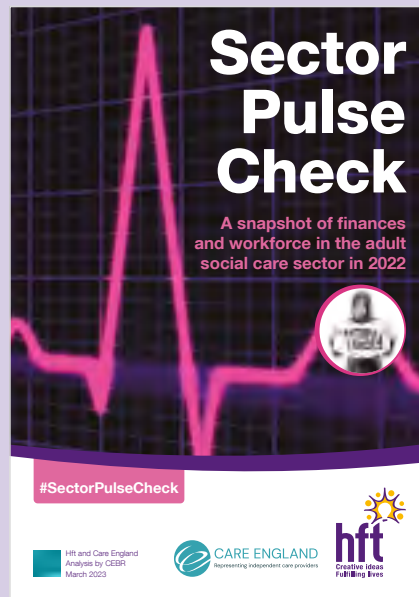


Make sure staff can learn while they work and get promoted.
Help people to understand how important social care is.

Part 4: What you can do

This part tells you about:

- Some actions you might want to take if you care about the things in this report.



If you care about the things you have read in the report you might want to:



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