

## BURNIE BRAE FACT SHEET

# Home Assist Secure Program

## Who Is Eligible for the Home Assist Secure Subsidy?

To be eligible to access subsidised assistance through the Home Assist Secure Program you will need to be:

- ✓ Aged 60 years of age or over;
- ✓ Of any age with a disability

In addition, you will need to:

- ✓ Live in your own home or in rental housing;
- ✓ Hold a current Pensioner Concession Card. You may be required to show this card to a Burnie Brae representative
- ✓ Be unable to undertake the work yourself or be at risk if you did attempt to do the work without assistance;
- ✓ Be unable to access other forms of subsidy e.g. services through:
  - My Aged Care e.g. Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP); Home Care Package Program (HCP);
  - Veterans Affairs;
  - Qld Community Care.

## The NDIS and Home Assist Secure

Following transition to the NDIS, services provided through Home Assist Secure remain available to NDIS participants.

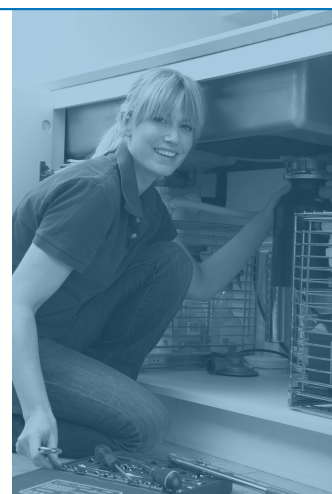
Low level ad-hoc maintenance requests such as changing a light bulb would not be approved in a NDIS participant's plan and therefore not funded, so Home Assist Secure could assist.

If you think you could fall into this category, please give us a call and we can discuss this further with you to establish your eligibility.

## What Type of Services Can I Access through the Home Assist Secure Program if I am Eligible?

- ✓ **Free information and referrals** about home maintenance, repairs and modifications, falls prevention and home security; including referral to reputable tradespersons and other relevant community services.
- ✓ **Subsidised assistance for minor modification and critical maintenance work** that is necessary, for health, safety and security reasons, enabling you to remain living safely in your own home. Non-essential work (beautification) cannot be subsidised through Home Assist Secure.
- ✓ **Subsidised assistance with lawn mowing** based on your safety and security needs; some limits may apply

*The Home Assist Secure Program cannot assist with an individual maintenance or modification job that exceeds \$1500 in value (excluding GST); including labour and materials.*





## How Much Assistance can the Home Assist Secure Program Provide?

The Home Assist Secure Program provides up to **\$500 assistance** per financial year towards the cost of labour:

- ✓ **Labour Costs \$200 or less:** The Home Assist Secure Program will cover the full cost of the labour. You will be required to pay the cost of the materials.
- ✓ **Labour Costs greater than \$200:** The Home Assist Secure Program will cover the cost of the labour up to \$200. You will be required to pay the balance of the cost including additional labour and materials

### Rented Accomodation

To provide assistance in rented accommodation Burnie Brae will need **written consent from your landlord** before undertaking any minor modification or maintenance work.

Burnie Brae will not undertake minor modification or maintenance work when:

- It is the responsibility of the landlord under Residential Tenancies legislation or other tenancy agreements;
- When it is the responsibility of the Department of Housing and Public Works.

### For your Security

Burnie Brae will always ensure that purchases and works undertaken are the best value for money and that, when required, suitably qualified and insured tradesmen are engaged to carry out the work.

All our staff and trades people are required to undergo a National Police check before they provide services.

Burnie Brae conducts quality assurance checks to make sure the completed work meets with expectations and is completed in a timely manner.

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