Key facts about Jack Gardner House

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What to expect from this guide

We understand that looking into care homes can be overwhelming as there is a lot of information to take in.

At Jewish Care, we want to make this process as easy as possible for you. This guide gives you all the important information you need to know about our care home, Jack Gardner House, to help you make the right decision for you.

If you want to speak to someone to help you, please call us on **020 8922 2222** or email **lwjc@jcare.org**

Key facts

About Jack Gardner House



Based in Golders Green, Jack Gardner House gives a warm, friendly and safe environment to young Jewish people who have mental health needs. Residents benefit from support in keeping their autonomy and maintaining friendships and family relationships.

The modern and welcoming home provides a strong Jewish environment for residents. Each resident is supported to be as independent as possible with the help of their personal support plan, their peers and the dedicated staff.

The home's main ethos is to empower and enable people to recover and live a life which is meaningful and fulfilling to them. Residents are encouraged to maintain independence and be in control of their own decisions, with the support of staff.

We work in partnership with JAMI and other health and social care services to provide the best possible advice and support for residents.

Our care home is regulated

To help us make sure we provide a good quality service, the Care Quality Commission (CQC) monitor, inspect and regulate the care home on an ongoing basis. They publish their findings, including a rating to help people choose their care.

You can read the CQC's full report about our care home by visiting **jewishcare.org/jackgardner**

The latest overall CQC rating for lack Gardner House is **Good**

All care homes that are regulated by the CQC have a Registered Manager, who is qualified and able to effectively manage the care home.

Our Registered Manager for Jack Gardner House is **Sandra Saintus**

The Registered Provider is the organisation that is responsible for overseeing the running of the care home.

The Registered Provider for Jack Gardner House is **Jewish Care**

The needs the care home caters for

Jack Gardner House offers accommodation, care and support for young adults (aged between 18 and 65) with mental health needs.

Before you move into the care home, we will thoroughly assess your care and support needs to determine the category and level of care you require. This may be reviewed if your needs change over time.

Defining 'permanent' and 'respite' care

There are two types of residency in our care homes; permanent and respite.

Most of the care home residents across Jewish Care are permanent, which means they live in the care home on a long-term basis.

Some residents choose to stay in our care homes for a temporary period, which is called respite care (also known as short-stay care). This can be for any number of reasons, such as helping family carers to have a break from caring. The availability of respite care is limited across our care homes.

Respite care at Jack Gardner House

If you are interested in respite care, please contact the Living with Jewish Care team to find out about current availability at this care home. Email lwjc@jcare.org or call 020 8922 2321.

Admissions information

An integral part of the admission process is visits and overnight stays before a final decision is made regarding permanent stay.

There are currently no facilities for emergency admissions. However, respite care is considered, and the same assessment process applies.

Support is given to service users in the wider community and are welcomed in Jack Gardner House for a chat, a meal or sabbath and festival events. (People show their appreciation through a donation for meals).



What is the layout of the care home?

The care home has **15 single en-suite bedrooms** with 8 bedrooms on the 1st floor and 7 bedrooms on the 2nd floor. There is a kitchenette on the 2nd floor for people who wish to prepare meals independently. The whole care home runs as a single unit, which we like to call a 'household'.

The layout allows you to develop individual relationships with fellow residents and the staff team.

Residents have their own front door key, own bedroom key and a lockable space in their bedroom.

Making you feel at home

We know it is important to have your own personal space where you can relax and enjoy some alone time if you wish to. All our bedrooms are single rooms, meaning we will never ask you to share your room with another resident (so you can maintain your privacy).

Your bedroom comes **fully furnished** so you do not need to worry about moving or buying furniture when you move.

You may choose to bring personal items so long as it does not cause any health & safety hazards i.e. clutter.

Your bedroom has an **en-suite room** with a toilet, sink, bath and shower.



Television

You are welcome to bring a television for your room, where there is a plug socket and aerial already in place.





Telephone

You can also bring a landline telephone to connect in your room for internal transfer and to receive calls. If you choose to have a private phone line, you will need to arrange the line rental directly with BT and you will be responsible for paying the phone bill.

Internet

You can use the free communal Wi-Fi available throughout the building.



Things to do in the care home

The care home's ethos is to empower people to lead their own lives, enabling them to exercise their choice and to maximise their independence by engaging in community activities, such as wellbeing centres, local voluntary or paid work opportunities, educational courses, peer groups and other therapeutic programmes that is of interest to them.

There is an activities committee that host regular forums with residents' representatives to discuss our activity plans and help ensure that everyone has a say in the things they would like to see and do.

Sample activities timetable

Here is an idea of some of the activities and entertainment taking place over the course of a week.

Monday: Music therapy, Residents meeting

Tuesday: Cookery workshop

Wednesday: Walking group

Thursday: Music therapy, cookery workshop

Friday: Physical exercise, flower arranging,

Tefellin group

Saturday: Residents Supported to Shul

The actual activities on offer may change over time and will vary from week to week. There are also many more activities in the programme, which you will be able to choose from each week.

Our staff

Our professional staff are dedicated to giving you support and care, so you can continue to live a full and meaningful life. They work hard to make sure your needs and choices are met, and they take great pride in their work. Our team are also on hand to help you settle in, making sure you have an easy and smooth move. We are proud of the diversity of our staff and our good staff-to-resident ratio.

Staffing levels

There are always care staff in the care home, both day and night, with five or six support staff members during the day, two support staff members during the night, and four hospitality staff members and volunteers.

Care staff levels vary depending on the dependency needs of residents and/or if home is fully occupied. These staffing levels may also vary when staff members take personal leave.

Our care staff are overseen by a care manager and senior team leader who work on shifts during the day and night. There is an on-call rota in operation with one senior support worker and leadership team member available at night and at weekends. The Registered Manager works occasional night shifts, carries out night visits and is on call when not in the care home.

Staff training and qualifications

Our staff receive ongoing in-house training to reflect current research and guidelines on good practice, as well as training in the Jewish way of life.

All new care staff complete a certified care programme and will work towards a QCF Level 3 in health & social care. This is a nationally recognised set of standards that set out the knowledge, skills and behaviours expected in their role. We also employ people from psychology and nursing backgrounds.



Technology that supports our staff

Our staff are assisted by technology to help them deliver a comprehensive and effective service.

Managing your care

All our care homes at Jewish Care use electronic care planning. This is a modern system that provides many benefits to you and the quality of care you receive. You will see the care staff using handheld devices to access and update your care plan and your records in real time.

Your care plan is a record of your medication, preferences, needs and the care provided to you. This includes any information that helps us to provide you with high quality care and support, such as your food preferences, your hobbies and your daily routine.



Having electronic care planning means that your records are updated straight away. This means staff spend less time doing paperwork, providing them more time to give you care and support. It also means the management team have a quicker and clearer overview of your day-to-day care and that handovers between shift staff happen more quickly and accurately. This ensures the continuity of your care when shift changes occur and that the quality of your care can be easily monitored without delay.

Your call system and sensors

To help us ensure your safety, your bedroom is fitted with a 24-hour call system. These are programmed to alert staff if you were to need urgent help whilst in your room.

Funding, fees and other costs Funding your care

We understand that the process of paying for residential care can be complicated.

We are here to help if you have any questions about how your care can be funded. We can explain the funding, guide you through the process of making a funding application, and offer you support. Please note that we do not offer financial advice. Call us on 020 8922 2222 or email lwjc@jcare.org

What funding do we accept?

There are three main ways a place can be funded at our care home; self-funding, local authority funding and NHS Continuing Care funding.

Self-funding

This means you pay the full amount without any funding from your local authority or NHS. You are considered to be a self-funding resident if you have assets above £23,250.

Local authority funding

Your local authority can be approached to fund your placement. Anyone who has under £23,250 in savings or assets e.g. in banks, building societies, property or

shares is eligible for local authority funding. If your assets exceed that sum then you will be a self-funder. If you own a property, this will be taken into account. There are some circumstances where they may disregard the value of your property, such as if your spouse or partner still lives there or a dependent over the age of 60.

Client contribution

This funding usually requires an additional 'client contribution' from you towards the cost of your care, at a rate set by the local authority.

Family Contribution

A Family Contribution (sometimes known as a Third Party Top-up) is the contribution we ask people to make to help bridge the gap between what a local authority will pay for the cost of care and the actual cost of care itself. Local authorities only pay on average about half of what the care home placement costs. At Jewish Care we usually ask the resident's children to contribute to this; we do not ask the resident or their spouse.

For further information, please contact the Living with Jewish Care Team on **020 8922 2222** or email **lwjc@jcare.org**. You can also visit **jewishcare.org/fees-and-funding**

NHS Continuing Care funding

NHS Continuing Care funding is the name given to a package of care that is arranged and funded solely by the NHS. This is for people who do not need to be in hospital but have complex and ongoing healthcare needs.

Fees

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Here are the weekly fees associated with living in the care home:

Residential care is £1,790.82 per week

If there is respite care available:

Respite residential care is £1,955.82 per week

Care home fees are for guidance only and are determined by the type of care provided, the home and the level of facilities within each home.

The services included in the fees

- Care according to your personalised care plan.
 If you have additional care needs there may be additional fees to meet these. We will assess your needs and discuss with you any additional fees involved
- Kosher-style food, drink and snacks, including special diets
- Bedroom accommodation with housekeeping
- Full use of communal areas
- Joining in with the activities programme. You may be asked to make a financial contribution to the cost of some special activities or excursions
- Assistance with washing, bathing, medication and other personal daily activities
- Laundry service by machine washing.
 Excludes dry cleaning
- Regular on-site GP surgeries and consultations
- Assistance with booking special escort services, such as for medical appointments outside of the care home. You are responsible for paying charges made by escort services
- Liaison with your health professionals. However, you are responsible for paying any charges made by these professionals

Services available for an additional fee

The following items and services are not included in the fees, but we can still arrange for them to be provided. We will always tell you how much they cost before you agree to pay for them.

- Personal items (e.g. clothes, toiletries and newspapers)
- Hairdressing
- Chiropody
- Medication, equipment and prescription charges
- Private car hire and taxi service
- Telephone line installation and service charges
- Television and subscriptions (unless you are a respite resident)

- Staff assistance and escorts for medical appointments and your private outings outside of the care home
- Special equipment not available in the home, such as bespoke recliner chairs, wheelchairs and medical aids
- Staff employed directly by you or your family
- Additional staffing costs to provide one to one care, or other additional care over and above the standard level of care
- Meals and refreshments for visiting family and friends
- You may be asked to make a financial contribution to the cost of some special activities or excursions

Deposit

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We ask all permanent self-funding residents to pay a security deposit of one month's fees. Residents who are not self-funding are not required to pay a deposit.

How much is the deposit?

For residential care the deposit is £7,781.54

Why do we charge a deposit?

The deposit helps us to cover any damages and excessive wear and tear to the room. It also covers any unpaid fees or other instances where our terms and conditions have not been met. Jewish Care holds the deposit in its main bank account and is secured by our reserves policy.

When is the deposit refunded?

The deposit is refunded without interest when you leave the care home. It is also refunded if you are a self-funder and your funding changes to local authority or NHS funding.

Jewish Care aims to refund the deposit within four weeks of your room being vacated or your funding changing. We will tell you in advance if it is going to take longer. Jewish Care may deduct any amount that is outstanding to be paid.

Deposit for respite residents

For information about respite deposits, please contact us on 020 8922 2222 or email admissions@jcare.org

What are the next steps?

You should now have a good overview about living at Jack Gardner House.

Important additional information about Jack Gardner House will be provided before you make your decision and may be found on our website.

You can take a look at our standard terms and conditions for care home residents by visiting jewishcare.org/terms-conditions



Get in touch

The Living with Jewish Care Team is here to support you with your next steps. Please contact us if you want to:

- Ask a question
- Explore your options
- Look around the care home
- Make an application

They will have a conversation with you to check that this is the best route to meet your needs and to see if there is anything else we can support you with.

Call us on 020 8922 2222 or email us at lwjc@jcare.org

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Supporting you with your Care Home enquiry

Choosing a Care Home doesn't need to be stressful. Our helpful, understanding and supportive advisors offer free advice on anything from funding to finding just the right Jewish Care home for you.



Call us on 020 8922 2222 or email lwjc@jcare.org



We will then assess your situation and help answer any questions you may have about you or your loved one's needs, along with advice on how to fund your care



You can then book one or more visits to our homes that might be right for you or your loved one



If you would like to proceed, our Care Home Assessor will then carry out a full care assessment, they will also help support you with completing the application forms, and guide you through the next steps



At any stage in the process we are there to help you and answer any concerns or questions you have

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