

**3 NATIONAL CARE HOME CONTRACT 2009/2010 - NOTIFICATION OF DEFAULT RATE (AN184-2009)**

At the meeting of the Social Work and Health Committee on 27th April, 2009, Report No 227-2009 (Implications of the National Care Home Contract - Fee Levels for 2009/2010 and 2010/2011) was approved which informed members of the outcome of negotiations between COSLA, the Scottish Government and care home providers in relation to the ongoing development of the national care home contract. The report outlined the fee levels for 2009/2010 as agreed through these negotiations but noted that the rate to be applied to care homes not meeting the required standards to qualify for additional payments (known as "Below the Contract Rate" or "Default Rate") had yet to be agreed. COSLA has now agreed this rate with care home providers and the 2009/2010 rate per week to be applied is as follows:-

	Registered Homes without Nursing Care (per week)	Registered Homes with Nursing Care (per week)
Below the National Contract Rate	£424.98	£500.24

Committee is asked to adopt these rates as outlined in the National Care Home Contract.