



**INCLUSION IRELAND**

## **Update - August 2011**

The Government recently introduced changes to the way in which the Health (In-Patient) Charges are calculated. These changes are effective from 23 July 2011. The new system involves calculating the charge using income bands (see reverse of this page).

### **Class 1**

Class 1 refers to people in receipt of in-patient services on premises where nursing care is provided on a 24 hour basis on those premises. In this case, a maximum weekly charge of €175.00 can be levied. If a person's only income is disability allowance the maximum charge would be €155 before deductions

### **Class 2**

Class 2 refers to people in receipt of in-patient services on premises where nursing care is not provided on a 24 hour basis on those premises. In this situation, a weekly charge of €130.00 can be levied. If the person's only income is disability allowance the maximum charge would be €130 before deductions.

### **Assessment**

- ❖ Each person is entitled to have their legitimate expenses deducted before their final charge is calculated. For example, if you have €50 allowable expenses the weekly charge is reduced by €50. There is an official assessment form.
- ❖ If you live in a community residence you are also entitled to a weekly socialisation allowance. This depends on each individual but is not expected to be above €90 per week. You are also entitled to be assessed for other allowable expenses.
- ❖ The Health (In-Patient) Charge only applies to Section 38 Agencies

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