

My husband and I are full pensioners we do not have savings or extra money to pay for this co payment. We live in a small remote country town with no transport services, we have to travel kilometres to access medical services. Obviously country and remote aged peoples needs have not been taken into consideration. My husband has a degenerative brain disease level 4 package and is going to need more care as he deteriorates. I am also on a package level 3 and I'm his full time carer. Providers don't even have capacity to give me respite and transport, we have no family, and here you are wanting extra money for the little they do! Shame on you ! You and/or the people advising you have no idea what living at the coal face on a pension in these conditions is really like. The pension only just covers our needs we have to go without to save for a lot of essentials we definitely will not be paying a co payment so the packages are going to be useless to us. I thought the HCP was so we could age in our homes. I am disgusted at the treatment of older people by your committee people who have served their country in war and other areas. You should be ashamed of yourselves. We are not numbers we are people who have a heart beat breath and have emotions. Just put your own parents and grandparents in this position and see if you think it's right for them?