



# Alternative Models of Care for Older People

The Main Report

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## Abbreviations and Terminology

AA	Attendance Allowance
ACE	Age Concern England
ACIOG	Age Concern Institute of Gerontology
ADL	Activities of Daily Living
ADS	Alzheimer's Disease Society
ADSS	Association of Directors of Social Services
AT	Assistive Technology
COST	European Co-operation in the field of Scientific and Technical Research
CNA	Carers National Association
CPA	Centre for Policy on Ageing
CPN	Community Psychiatric Nurse
DETR	Department of Environment, Transport and the Regions
DoE	Department of the Environment
DoH	Department of Health
DSS	Department of Social Security
EPICS	Elderly Persons Integrated Care System
ESRC	Economic and Social Research Council
GB	Great Britain
GHS	General Household Survey
GP	General Practitioner
GSS	Government Statistical Service
HA	Housing Association
HAS	Health Advisory Service
HB	Housing Benefit
IS	Income Support
JRF	Joseph Rowntree Foundation
LA	Local Authority
MRC	Medical Research Council
NHS	National Health Service
NISW	National Institute of Social Work
ONS	Office of National Statistics
OPCS	Office of Population, Censuses and Surveys
OT	Occupational Therapist
PSSRU	Personal Social Services Research Unit at Universities of Kent, Manchester and the London School of Economics



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PSI	Policy Studies Institute
RICA	Research Institute for Consumer Affairs
RPI	Retail Price Index
SAR	Sample of Anonymised Records
SERPS	State Earnings Related Pension Scheme
SPRU	Social Policy Research Unit, University of York
SSI	Social Services Inspectorate
TELEMATE	Telematic Multidisciplinary Assistive Technology Education
TIDE	Telematics for Elderly and Disabled People
UK	United Kingdom

The term ‘older people’ is used throughout the paper unless the reference is to the research of others where a different description is given.

‘Home’ is used to denote house, flat, bungalow or any other kind of housing unless the reference is to research where a specific description is given.