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The Chartered Institute of Housing (CIH) is the professional body for everyone involved in housing and communities. Our goal is simple – to provide housing professionals with the advice, support and knowledge they need to be brilliant. Our work is driven by a passionate belief that our contribution as housing professionals is vital to making communities great places to live and work – and that everyone is entitled to a decent, affordable home in a thriving, safe and healthy community.

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Care & Repair England is an independent charitable organisation established in 1986 which aims to improve older people’s housing. Our vision is that all older people have decent living conditions in a home of their own choosing. We aim to innovate, develop, promote and support practical housing initiatives and the related policy and practice which enable older people to live independently in their own homes for as long as they wish, particularly for older people living in poor or unsuitable private sector housing.

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The British Association of Occupational Therapists is the professional body for all occupational therapy staff in the UK. The College of Occupational Therapists is a wholly owned subsidiary of BAOT and operates as a registered charity. The College sets the professional and educational standards for the occupational therapy profession and represents the profession at the national and international levels.
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Foundations is the national body for providers of home improvement agency and handyperson services. There are over 200 local/regional (and mostly not-for-profit) providers of advice, information and home adaptations to sustain independent living for the vulnerable covering more than 80% of local authorities in England.

Richard Humphries, Kings Fund

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The King’s Fund is an independent charity working to improve health and health care in England. We help to shape policy and practice through research and analysis; develop individuals, teams and organisations; promote understanding of the health and social care system; and bring people together to learn, share knowledge and debate. Our vision is that the best possible care is available to all.

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The Housing Learning and Improvement Network (LIN) is the leading independent ‘learning lab’ for connecting housing, health and social care professionals to support closer integration and innovation in the way plan, design and deliver housing, care and support services for older people and those with long term conditions. For further information about the Housing LIN’s comprehensive range of free online resources, shared learning and service improvement opportunities, including site visits and network meetings in your region.

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The British Geriatrics Society (BGS) is a professional association of doctors practising geriatric medicine, old age psychiatrists, general practitioners, nurses, therapists, scientists and others with a particular interest in the medical care of older people and in promoting better health in old age. It has over 2,500 members worldwide and is the only society in the UK offering specialist medical expertise in the wide range of health care needs of older people.

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The British Red Cross are a volunteer-led humanitarian organisation that helps people in crisis, whoever and wherever they are. We enable vulnerable people at home and overseas to prepare for and respond to emergencies in their own communities. And when the crisis is over, we help people recover and move on with their lives.
The Royal College of Nursing (RCN) is the voice of nursing across the UK and is the largest professional union of nursing staff in the world. The RCN promotes the interest of nurses and patients on a wide range of issues and helps shape healthcare policy by working closely with the UK Government and other national and international institutions, trade unions, professional bodies and voluntary organisations.

Age UK has a vision of a world in which older people flourish. We aim to improve later life for everyone through our information and advice, campaigns, products, training and research. Many local Age UKs provide home from hospital services to ensure that older people can have a safe supported discharge, avoid readmission, and access a wide range of community-based support.

The LGA is the national voice of local government. We work with councils to support, promote and improve local government. We are a politically-led, cross-party organisation that works on behalf of councils to ensure local government has a strong, credible voice with national government. We aim to influence and set the political agenda on the issues that matter to councils so they are able to deliver local solutions to national problems.

The Association of Directors of Adult Social Services (ADASS) represents Directors of Adult Social Services in Councils in England. As well as having statutory responsibilities for the commissioning and provision of social care, ADASS members often also share a number of responsibilities for the commissioning and provision of housing, leisure, library, culture, arts, community services and increasingly, Children’s Social Care within their Councils.

The Hospital 2 Home Resource Pack was a joint production by Task Group members. Research and development was undertaken by consultants Kate Mcallister, www.katemcallister.co.uk and Merron Simpson, www.newrealities.co.uk.