

Introduction to Uniting Church Homes and its Care and Support Services for Older People

Who we are:

UCH is a Christian, values driven, community benefit organisation that excels in social enterprise for the benefit of the whole community.

Our Vision:

A good life for all our people.

Our Mission:

To enhance the independence, spiritual fulfilment and enjoyment of life of older people through care, accommodation and support services.

Our Core Values

Welcome is being warm, friendly, gracious, empathetic to all, and open to new ideas.

Respect is valuing people for their uniqueness and being just and honest in our dealings.

Compassion is caring for others and responding to need using the highest standards to provide comfort and enable healing.

Hope is encouraging people to celebrate life, both now and in the future.

Our Guiding principles

We respect each person's physical, spiritual, emotional and social needs.

We empower each person to exercise choice and control over their lives.

We strive to enhance personal freedom and independent functioning.

We provide care services based on holistic needs assessment.

We encourage people to develop their spirituality.

We encourage people to engage with community to counter social isolation.

We respect each person's right to die with dignity and in peace.

Chaplaincy

Within the UCH community we have full-time Chaplains ministering at our various residential care facilities. They are a vital part of our care team and provide pastoral care to our residents, clients and their families as well as all

UCH staff. They also provide ecumenical worship services throughout the week in various locations to which all our residents and clients are welcome. Details can be obtained from each individual facility.

Care and Support Services

UCH provides the following choices to enable older people to decide on how and where they spend their latter years. These include:

1. Independent Living Units
2. Serviced Units
3. In Home Care Programmes
4. Day Therapy Services
5. Respite Care
6. Residential Care

1. Independent Living Units (“ILUs”)

UCH offers a choice of self contained units in a village atmosphere which are available to people primarily aged 55 years or over. Units range from small bed sitter units to larger one, two and three bedroom units. Many of the villages have common facilities and community rooms on site, whilst some are part of a larger centre which offers accommodation in a residential care facility or other aged care service. ILUs have call buttons so that residents can call for help in emergencies. This service is monitored at some sites by an independent company.

The rights of residents in Independent Living Units and Serviced Units are protected by the

WA Government’s Retirement Village Act 1999 and the Code of Fair Practice for Retirement Villages 2009.

Some of the benefits for a resident living in one of our Independent Living Units is the companionship and sense of community and security felt whilst maintaining a flexible and independent lifestyle. Residents in some of our villages are provided with regularly updated information booklets, newsletters and news sheets with details of outings and social activities which include regular bus trips to shopping centres, the theatre and restaurants etc. The majority of these outings and activities for ILU residents are organised by the residents themselves or via their committees.

Entry Contributions

Entry Contributions for individual units at our various villages are set according to the quality and amenity of each unit. These funds provide UCH with an income to maintain and ultimately replace the buildings and accommodation provided. People who cannot afford to pay an entry contribution have the option of paying rental in lieu in addition to the fortnightly fee charged if they meet the Assets and Income test criteria. UCH has procedures in practice to ensure that

all entry contributions can be repaid when due. The date an offer of accommodation is made determines the final entry contribution amount.

UCH retains from the initial Entry Contribution a drawn down amount for a month, part month or year that has expired between the Commencement Date and the Termination Date of the contract of Residence Agreement. The draw down amounts in the new agreements are calculated as a percentage of the Entry Contribution and it is payable over an 8 year period, based on a sliding scale. The maximum retention amount does not exceed 25% of the Entry Contribution. The balance of the Entry Contribution is retained by UCH as a secure deposit until the Termination Date of the contract of Residence Agreement even if this exceeds the agreed draw down portion.

Fortnightly Fees

The fortnightly fees are determined based on a budget prepared for each specific site at the beginning of every financial year. This budget is presented to residents for input before being recommended to the UCH Board for approval in accordance with *Retirement Villages Act 1992*. Fees remain constant throughout each financial year and are payable from the contracted date of entry regardless of any delay in admission. Fees and the annual % increase may vary from village to village. The amount a resident pays in a particular village may vary because of individual circumstances.

The fee covers rates, building insurance, maintenance, rubbish removal, common garden area maintenance and village common area lighting etc. It does not include the electricity and gas charges for an individual unit nor the resident's personal telephone accounts and contents insurance. Carports, garages and storerooms may be available for rent at some villages and a separate fortnightly fee is levied. Meals can also be purchased at some sites on an adhoc basis.

The current fees will be advised at the time of your enquiry.

Other Fees and Charges

- A non refundable *Application fee* is payable when a potential resident wishes to place their name on the wait list. This fee is deductible from the *Administration fee* should the person take up residency.
- On acceptance of an offer of accommodation a non refundable *Administration fee* is payable.
- A non refundable *Transfer Application fee* is payable for transfers within a UCH village or between UCH villages.
- A non refundable *Transfer Administration fee* is also payable once an offer of accommodation has been accepted. This is in addition to an existing *Application fee* (This fee may be reduced or waived in exceptional circumstances by the Chief Executive).

2. Serviced Units (SUs)

A selected number of the UCH villages provide Serviced Units for people who require a small amount of support to maintain their independence. The accommodation is basically the same as that offered for ILUs but consists of either a bed sitter or single bedroom unit. SUs have call buttons so that residents can call for help in emergencies. Where these units do not form part of an existing residential care facility the emergency call is monitored by an independent monitoring company and as such assistance does not come from the site.

Services provided include all meals, medication management and heavy laundry. In addition, for those with slightly greater need, UCH does include personal laundry, the making of the bed and the cleaning of the unit.

Access to this service is based on an assessed need. It is stressed that when the level of need increases beyond that which is described above, the resident will be assisted to find a place in a Residential Care Facility which can provide additional personal care services.

Entry Contributions

Entry Contributions for our Serviced Units are set according to the quality and amenity of each unit. People who cannot afford to pay an entry contribution may be offered care and accommodation at one of our Residential Care Facilities. All applicants who cannot meet the Entry Contribution requirements are required to meet our Asset and Income Test criteria for Serviced Units. UCH has a strategy to ensure that all entry contributions received can be repaid when due.

UCH retains from the initial Entry Contribution a drawn down amount for a month, part month or year that has expired between the Commencement Date and the Termination Date of the contract of Residence Agreement. The draw down amounts in the new agreements are calculated as a percentage of the Entry Contribution and it is payable over an 8 year period, based on a sliding scale. The maximum retention amount does not exceed 25% of the Entry Contribution.

Fortnightly Fees

The minimum fee payable is calculated at percentage of the combined Aged Pension and Rent Assistance. This is payable from the contracted date of entry regardless of any delay in admission. The fees are indexed to increase with increases in the Aged Pension amount. The current fees will be advised at the time of your enquiry. It does not include the electricity and gas charges of the unit and the resident's personal telephone accounts and contents insurance.

Other Fees and Charges

- A non refundable *Application fee* is payable when a potential resident wishes to place their name on the wait list. This fee is deductible from the *Administration fee* if applicable.
- On acceptance of an offer of accommodation a non refundable *Administration fee* is payable.

- A non refundable *Transfer Application fee* is payable for transfers within a UCH village or between UCH villages.
- A non refundable *Transfer Administration fee* is also payable once an offer of accommodation has been accepted. (This fee may be reduced or waived in exceptional circumstances by the Chief Executive).

3. In Home Care Services

UCH operates programmes to provide care services to people who choose to continue to live in their own homes. These programmes are subsidized by the Commonwealth and clients.

Care provided at home and in the community places great importance on maintaining your personal dignity and independence. You can therefore expect to be treated as an individual and for your cultural background, personal beliefs and preferences to be respected. When you're receiving care you have the right to have your privacy and confidentiality respected, together with the right to limit access to any of your personal information kept by your care providers.

An Aged Care Assessment Team (ACAT) assessment is necessary to determine your eligibility for some community care or aged care home care programs. Government programs such as Home and Community Care (HACC) do not require an ACAT assessment. If you choose to be considered for a program which requires an assessment you will not be charged for the assessment and you are entitled to have your carer present at all discussions.

UCH operates in the following programmes:

The **Home and Community Care (HACC)** program aims to provide you with a basic range of maintenance and support services to help you stay at home.

The HACC Program can help you with services such as:

- assessment and/or referrals
- client care coordination
- domestic assistance
- respite care (for carer), and
- social support.

HACC services are designed for people who need support to continue living in the community and who are older and frail or who have a disability. To be eligible for the HACC Program you must:

- be living at home
- be an older and frail person, or a person with a disability
- have difficulty doing everyday tasks such as dressing or preparing meals
- be a carer of a frail older person or person with a disability, or
- be likely to need to go into a residential care facility or a hospital for care if you were not being provided with support from HACC.

Fees

Some services provided attract a small fee that varies between the costs of the particular services you need. These vary according to your income and the

number of services you use. Special arrangements may be made if you cannot afford to pay.

The **Community Aged Care Package (CACP)** program provides a planned and managed package of community care if you have complex care needs and would like to remain living in your own home.

Your CACP care manager's role is to plan and manage your care package, tailoring it to your individual needs. For example, a package may give you help with personal care such as bathing and dressing, domestic assistance such as housework and shopping, or help participating in social activities.

Other types of services that may be provided include:

- meal preparation
- laundry
- assistance with continence management
- transport, and
- temporary in-home respite care.

The **Extended Aged Care at Home(EACH)** program provides services to meet your high care needs through an individually tailored package to assist you to remain living in your own home for as long as possible.

An EACH package is highly flexible and includes qualified nursing input. The services that may be provided as part of an EACH package include:

- care by an allied health professional such as a physiotherapist or podiatrist
- personal care
- home help, and
- assistance with continence management.

The **Extended Aged Care at Home Dementia (EACH-D)** program is suitable if someone you care for needs assistance because of behavioural problems associated with dementia, including periods of changes in behaviour such as agitation, shadowing, 'sundowning' or other disturbances. The EACH-D program can provide a high-level care through an individually tailored package to assist the client to remain living in their own home for as long as possible.

An EACH-D package is highly flexible and includes qualified nursing input. The services that may be provided as part of an EACH-D package include:

- linkages to government funded Dementia Behaviour Management Centres
- care by an allied health professional such as a physiotherapist or podiatrist
- personal care
- home help, and
- assistance with continence management.

To receive an EACH-D package, you must first be assessed and approved by an ACAT as a person who:

- is experiencing behaviours of concern and psychological symptoms associated with dementia that significantly impact upon your ability to live independently in the community, and may impact on functional capacity
- needs high level care in an aged care home
- prefers to receive EACH-D, and
- is able to live at home with the support of an EACH-D package.

Fortnightly Fees

A fee toward the cost of the package you select is negotiated with UCH. If you are on the basic pension, you cannot be asked to pay more than 17.5% of that pension. If you have higher income, you may be asked to pay more than that (but no more than 50% of that higher income). If you cannot pay the fee, you will not be denied a service that you need. The amount charged forms part of an agreement between you and UCH.

4. Day Therapy Services

UCH operates two Day Therapy Centres located near our Residential Care Facilities at

Chrystal Halliday (north) and Rowethorpe (south). These centres provide you with a wide range of therapy services such as physiotherapy, occupational and speech therapy, podiatry and other therapies.

Day Therapy Centre services are provided for older Australians who are frail and living in the community, or residents of a government-funded Low Band Residential Care Facility. The aim of the program is to assist people to either maintain or recover a level of independence, which will allow them to remain living independently either in the community or in low level residential care.

Fees

There may be a fee for services provided by Day Therapy Centres. The service will however not be denied based on an incapacity to pay.

5. Respite

Hakea House overnight respite service is a National Respite Care Program. UCH provide this service as an overnight dementia specific community respite service designed to assist carers to continue their caring role. There is capacity to also accommodate the carer (if desired). The client participates in a range of programs on the site with other UCH residential care facilities to ensure access and choice of activities.

Short-term (63days) respite care is also available at some of UCH's Residential Care Facilities. This service may be used on a planned or emergency basis to help with carer stress, illness, holidays or any other time when your carer is unable to help out. You can also seek respite care for yourself.

Bethavon Residential Care Facility, in Northam, is involved with a Demonstration Day Respite (DDR) Program. This is a Commonwealth funded program; clients may come to the facility for the day. They are not allocated a bed and are dealt with on a “user pays” basis as they pay for services such as meals, physio and podiatry. A maximum of 6 clients and their carer can be accommodated per day. The service is provided six days per week and an emergency service can be provided on Sundays.

Fees

A daily care fee, based on the schedule from the Department of Health and Ageing is charged.

6. Residential Care Facilities

When people can no longer live independently, even with support, they have the option of moving into one of our residential care facilities. UCH’s facilities range from low care to high care facilities, with some facilities offering special programs to meet the needs of people with dementia. Due to the current Commonwealth regulations on residential care facility entry it is impossible to guarantee admission to a residential care facility and it is subject to each applicant meeting minimum criteria.

Low Band residential care facilities provide personal care and assistance with the activities of daily living, such a showering, dressing, bed making etc. They also provide nursing care and therapy services including diversional activities.

High Band residential care facilities provide all of the above plus complex nursing care to people with a higher level of clinical care need.

Most of UCH’s residential care facilities have single rooms with private ensuite bathrooms or in some cases two units sharing a common bathroom. The rooms are furnished with the basic furniture and residents may bring their own furniture to their room, subject to an assessment of its suitability by the manager. Residents are encouraged to maintain their independence to the fullest extent possible. Meals are provided in a communal dining room.

Minimum standards are set by the Commonwealth and compliance with these standards is assured by the Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency (a government appointed agency). All care facilities must be accredited to receive government funding and support.

Residential care facilities must apply to the Agency to be audited and the period of accreditation is determined by the success of the audit and can range from three years to one year. The most common period is three years and the results from compliance with 4

Standards and 44 Expected Outcomes. All UCH and the City of Bayswater facilities have been awarded three year accreditation.

Requirements to enter into a UCH Residential Care Facility

- Before applying for a place within one of our facilities, you are required to be assessed by the Aged Care Assessment Team (ACAT). This assessment is

arranged by your doctor, and will determine what your needs are and assess your level of care requirements.

- The ACAT team is usually composed of a doctor, nurse and social worker.
- Members of this team will conduct interviews with you, and perhaps even visit you at your home.
- The ACAT team may suggest or recommend a particular facility or facilities which will meet your needs. In urgent situations they may contact facilities on your behalf to find out if there are vacancies.
- Interested applicants must then apply to Centrelink / DVA for an Asset Assessment once the ACAT assessment is complete and the applicant will have been approved to receive residential care. The request form for an Asset Assessment will be provided by the ACAT at the time of the ACAT assessment.
- The income test from the 20th March 2008 has been simplified and treats all income in the same way. It no longer differentiates between pension and private income.
- The Centrelink / DVA Asset Assessment will assist the intending resident to negotiate an appropriate refundable deposit or accommodation charge amount to be paid to an Aged Care provider. The interested potential resident is provided with a letter with information about the value of their assets for aged care purposes and whether they are considered to be either a fully or partially supported resident or have concessional or assisted resident status.
- More information about the Asset Assessments is available by telephoning **Centrelink**
- Aged Care assessments team on FREECALL 1800 227 475 or DVA on 1300 550
- 452 OR 13 254.
- Applicants must provide UCH with evidence of their pensioner status in order to assess fees correctly in compliance with the Aged Care Act.
- A statutory declaration about your details and financial status is required on application.

Partially Refundable Accommodation Deposit

If you are entering into one of our low care facilities or entering a home that offers extra service, UCH will request that you pay a Partially Refundable Accommodation Deposit. This is described in the *Aged Care Act of 1997* as an Accommodation Bond. The amount requested is determined based on the information received from your Asset Assessment. The Government also regulates:

- The circumstances under which you can be asked to pay a deposit
- The minimum amounts of assets you must be left with after paying the deposit, and
- How the facility uses the deposit.
- The amount that a Residential Facility can retain from your deposit is set and this retention amount is deducted from the refundable portion of the deposit.

- The deposit does not accrue interest for your benefit.
- Within 14 days of you leaving a Residential Facility the refundable deposit less the allowable monthly retention amounts (i.e. the Partially Refundable Accommodation Deposit) that have been deducted is paid either to the Resident or their Estate.
- The portion of the refundable deposits retained and the interest which accrues on these funds provide UCH with an income to establish, maintain and ultimately replace the buildings in which care is provided.
- UCH agreements set out your rights and responsibilities and you have up to 21 days after entering the facility to complete this agreement.

UCH has a practice to ensure that all deposits can be repaid in a timely manner, which meets the prudential requirements set in the *Aged Care Act*.

Under the *Aged Care Act* residents and prospective residents or their representatives are entitled to receive particular information from UCH on written request. The information which is available is as per the Disclosure to Care Recipients, section 23.42 of the User Rights Principles 1997. This information provides information on the intended purpose of Accommodation Bonds as a source of capital for investment in aged care infrastructure, in confirms that UCH uses these funds for the intended purpose and that a Care Recipients bond balance will be refunded when it falls due.

A refundable deposit can be paid as a lump sum, by periodical payments, or as combination of the previous two methods, and is payable in full within six months. Interest is charged on the outstanding amount from the time you enter the home until it is fully paid. UCH calculates interest at the maximum permissible interest rate set by the Government for accommodation payment agreements.

Accommodation Charges

If you have been assessed as needing high-level care and you enter a Residential Care

Facility, you may be asked to pay an accommodation charge, in addition to the amount requested to be paid as a daily fee. These payments can only be charged under certain conditions, and depend on your Income and Asset Assessment. Government assistance with these costs may be available depending on your individual circumstances.

UCH also has some facilities that provide hotel-type services and these have been granted extra-service status. Residents who choose to enter into this service pay an accommodation bond rather than an accommodation charge for high-level care.

Users of respite care do not have to pay an accommodation deposit.

Money paid to a Residential Care Facility as a Partially Refundable Deposit is not deemed to be earning income when being assessed for Government pension

eligibility. Residents therefore have the option of paying a larger deposit in order to receive more via the Aged

Care Pension. Therefore a Resident who has been assessed as needing a high level of care may choose to pay the Partially Refundable Deposit to take advantage of this choice. UCH recommend that all people considering this option seek independent financial advice.

Calculating Income Tested Fees

UCH does not calculate the amount payable as an income tested fee. A resident's income tested fee cannot be greater than the cost of their care which is the amount that the

Government pays as a basic subsidy plus primary supplements directly to UCH. The Government Aged Care Pension is indexed on the 20th March and 20th September each year. Pensioner and non-pensioner residents with a total assessable income less than the maximum income of a full pensioner cannot be asked to pay an income tested fee.

Income is determined by using a deeming calculation which assumes that bank accounts and other financial investments are earning a certain rate of income, no matter what income they are actually earning.

In addition if you have some cash resources for which you are not relying on the interest for day to day living, you can choose to invest it with the Uniting Church Homes Capital Development Fund. You retain full control over your money and requests to withdraw the funds can be arranged within 24 hours notice. Interest earned on your deposit will be used by UCH to build or renovate facilities and develop new services. The Commonwealth

Government "deems" that savings earn a set level of interest, irrespective of the actual amount earned. The UCH Capital Development Fund is exempt from these deeming provisions so your pension and entitlements **will not be affected** by deemed income on the amount you deposit with UCH.

If you own your own home it will be included in the asset valuation unless

- your spouse or a dependent child is living there, or
- a carer who is in receipt of an Income Support Payment has lived there continuously for the last two years, or
- a close family member who is in receipt of an Income Supported payment and has lived there continuously for the last five years.

There are benefits for a resident who chooses to utilize the rental income from their home to meet their cost in Aged Care in relation to their income and asset testing. As each situation is unique, further information is available on enquiry and you are encouraged to seek independent financial advice.

Residents in low level care or Extra Service who pay all or part of the refundable deposit by periodic payments are able to rent out their home without the value of the home or rental income affecting their pension.

Fortnightly Fees

There are different Basic Daily Care fees for low level care facilities and high level care facilities and these are set by the Department of Health and Ageing. The amount you are required to pay will also depend on your Asset Assessment. Basic daily care fees contribute to the costs of your care. They consist of a basic daily care fee for all residents, based on the single age pension, plus the additional income-tested amount.

The Standard Pensioner contribution (approximately 84% of the Aged Pension) is payable for the first 28 days. Thereafter the daily Income Tested Fee (as determined is added to this daily fee).

Rental Assistance is not paid to residents in Residential Care Facilities.

UCH Contact Information

Annesley

Extra Services, Low Care, High Care and Dementia Specific

4-10 Hayman Road, Bentley, WA, 6102

(08) 6363 6601

Bethavon

Low Care, Respite and Day Centre

107 Duke Street, Northam, WA, 6041

(08) 9622 3466

Bethshan

Low Care and Respite

7 Piesse Street, Katanning, WA, 6317

(08) 9821 1018

Boronia Court

Unit 1/31 Boronia / Corner Townsend Street, McKeown Avenue, Lockyer, 6330

(04) 3715 4420

Carramar Hostel**

Low Care and ILUs

23a Redgum Way, Morley, WA, 6062 (

08) 9377 1877

Chrystal Gardens

ILUs

84 Kitchener Street, Trigg, WA, 6020

(08) 6467 0811

Chrystal Halliday

Low Care, High Care, ILUs and SUs

27 Prisk Street, Karrinyup, WA, 6018

(08) 6467 0811

City of Bayswater**

Low Care and Dementia Specific

21 Embleton Ave, Embleton, WA, 6062

(08) 6465 0111

Cygnets

Dementia Specific

4-10 Hayman Road, Bentley, WA, 6102

(08) 6363 6299

Elimatta

Low Care, Dementia Specific and Respite

45 Alexander Drive, Mt Lawley, WA, 6050

(08) 9271 6809

Ella Williams

Low Care, High Care and Dementia Specific

77 Camboon Road, Noranda, WA, 6062

(08) 9276 7222

Euroka

ILUs

41-51 Flora terrace, Waterman, WA, 6022

(08) 6467 0811

Hakea

Respite

4-10 Hayman Road, Bentley, WA, 6102

(08) 6363 6376

Hillcrest

Low Care and Respite

40 Onslow Street, Geraldton, WA, 6530

(08) 9964 3108

Hilltop

Low Care and Respite

4-10 Hayman Road, Bentley, WA, 6102

(08) 6363 6368

John Bryant

Low Care, Dementia Specific

95 Rawlinson Drive, Marangaroo, WA, 6064

(08) 9343 5044

Noranda Village **

ILUs

11 Walmsley Drive, Noranda, WA, 6062

(08) 9272 2022

Northam Cottage Homes

ILUs

94 Throssell Street, Northam, WA, 6401

(08) 9622 2662

Pilgrim House

Low Care, Dementia Specific and ILUs

22 Wolsely Road, East Fremantle, WA, 6158
(08) 9339 2830

Riverslea

Low Care and Respite

100 Guildford Road, Mt Lawley, WA, 6050

(08) 9272 5979

Rose Mount

ILUs

21 Dianella Drive, Dianella, WA, 6062

(08) 9345 3448

Rowethorpe

ILUs

4-10 Hayman Road, Bentley, WA, 6102

(08) 6363 6311

Salisbury Retreat**

ILUs

135 Salisbury Street, Bedford, WA, 6052

(08) 9272 2022

Sarah Hardy

Low Care, High Care and Dementia Specific

222 Cammillo Road, Kelmscott, WA 6111

(08) 9390 1311

St Andrew's

Low Care, High Care and Dementia Specific

20 Burwood Road, Balcatta, WA, 6014

(08) 9240 0300

St David's

Low Care, Respite, ILUs and SUs

17-19 Lawley Cres, Mt Lawley, WA, 6050

(08) 9289 2411

The Residency

Low Care, High Care and Dementia Specific

45-57 Burgoyne Street, Northam, WA, 6401

(08) 9622 2662

Tranby

Low Care, Ageing in Place, Respite

30 Winifred Road, Bayswater, WA, 6053

(08) 9272 2022

Trinity

Low Care and Respite

4-10 Hayman Road, Bentley, WA, 6102
(08) 6363 6372

Uniting Community Care

CACP, EACH, HACC and Day Therapy

10 Hayman Road, Bentley, WA, 6102

(08) 6363 6324

Uniting Community Care Northam

CACP and EACH

61-63 Wellington Street, Northam, WA, 6401

(08) 9621 2829

** City of Bayswater - Aged Care & ILUs Facility under UCH Management

STATE OFFICE

313 Main Street, Balcatta, WA, 6914 (08) 9240 0313

P O Box 810, Balcatta, WA, 6914 (08) 9240 0313

Other Useful Contacts

Aged Care Assessment Team 1800 500 853

Centrelink Financial Information Service 131021

Department of Veterans Affairs 133254 or 1800 555 254 (toll free)

Financial Planning Association 1800 626 393

Office of Seniors Interest 1800 199 087(toll free) or (08) 9328 9155

Department of Health and Ageing www.agedcareaustralia.gov.au

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