The role of care homes in end of life care

Over 460,000 beds are available in care homes

Nearly ½ of care home beds are in homes registered to provide nursing care

Variation in care home bed availability ranges from 3 to 25 beds/100 population**

Approximately 140,000 people need end of life care in a care home*

Deaths in care homes have increased from 80,000 to 111,000 in the last five years

Over 20% of deaths in England, are permanent care home residents

Nearly two thirds of care home residents, died with dementia or senility

70% of care home residents die in a care home

1 in 3 who died in a care home were temporary residents

*This figure includes all deaths that occur in a care home and permanent care home residents who die elsewhere (2015).

**aged 75 years or over by CCG

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