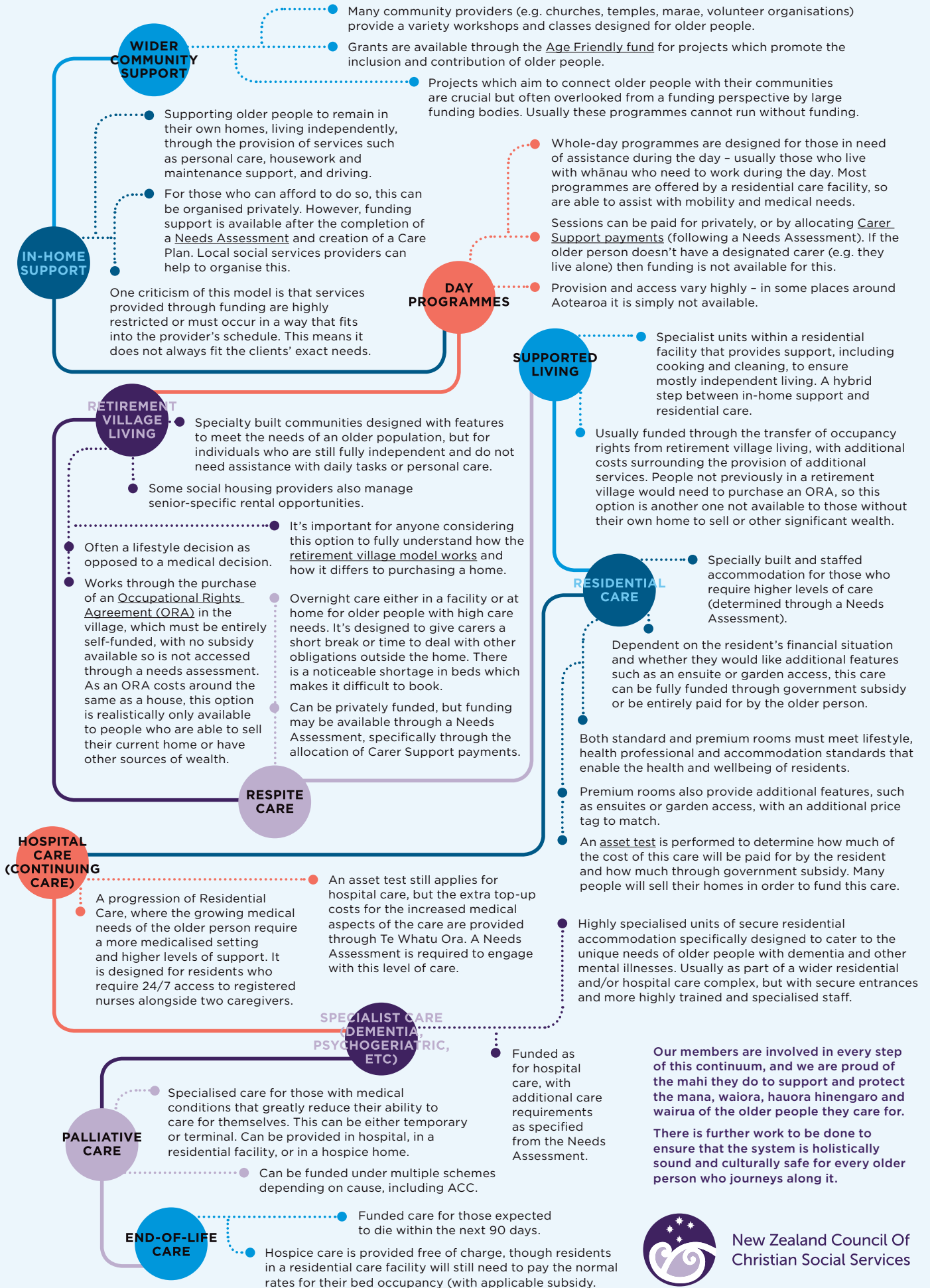


The Aged Care Continuum

Aged care in Aotearoa exists across a continuum from least to most intensive levels of involvement of third parties. Some people will follow this continuum all the way along, while others will jump steps, depending on their circumstances. This can be difficult to navigate as each step is managed, funded, and staffed by different agencies, government departments, and organisations.



Our members are involved in every step of this continuum, and we are proud of the mahi they do to support and protect the mana, waiora, hauora hinengaro and wairua of the older people they care for.

There is further work to be done to ensure that the system is holistically sound and culturally safe for every older person who journeys along it.

Urgent funding is needed for

Dementia services

A new service model will provide early and ongoing support to people living with dementia and their whānau, and reduce the impact of dementia on the health system and the economy.



Annual cost estimates: Dementia costs the economy \$2.5b annually. This is estimated to grow to \$5.9b by 2050.

Funding required over the next 3 years:

\$127.28m



Funding will:

- Keep up with the growing number of people living with dementia, and extend the reach of support through a new service model
- Provide nationally consistent services for effective, evidence-informed, and evolving community-based support services
- Support a sustainable sector that provides a cost-effective alternative costly residential care and hospital services

and ultimately support:

37,400
 Families

Community-based support services help people live their best possible lives...



It reduces costs by delaying entry to care



It improves wellbeing of people living with dementia and their care partners



It supports inclusive communities