



## Cost of Future Care & Life Care Plan Compare and Contrast

Cost of Care	Life Care Plan
<b>Not suitable for cross-examination</b> of author as process does not include supportive documentation and consultations	Work product to suitable to present for cross-examination of author including all necessary local vendor/provider research and basis documentation
Costs billed at hourly rate for Author and Research Assistant, but accrue to <b>less than 1/2</b> of fully researched Life Care Plan (*)	Costs billed at the hourly rate, based upon hours worked by Author & Research Assistant(s), plus expenses (*)
Suitable for preparation of demand package. Reliable costs for negotiation, mediation	Suitable for demand package, negotiation, mediation and presentation at trial with testimony
Conclusions & recommendations based upon knowledge, education and experience of report author	Conclusions similarly based with additional review & consultation with designated medical experts
Recommendations presented in table form with unit and annual costs	Recommendations presented in table form with unit and annual costs
Telephone interview	Home visit and interview
Limited review of background information	Detailed review of background information
Report based upon other similar individuals	Report individualized to subject individual
Items and costs retrieved from existing database local research only as needed	Items and costs derived by detailed local vendor/provider research
Prices used are within the past 1-2 years	Current prices verified
Brief narrative	Detailed narrative

(\*) Because a Cost of Future Care Analysis is prepared under different standards, expenses incurred to prepare it cannot be assumed to lower the cost of a subsequently requested Life Care Plan.

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