



# Homestay rent a room

## Factsheet

### Intro

The NHS and Health & Social Care services have launched a partnership with Homestay.com to increase the amount of available, and affordable accommodation for Health and Social care keyworkers in Somerset.

Homestay.com is an accommodation booking website that allows you to rent a room from someone working in the same industry and local area.

Homestay has created a private marketplace called the '**Homestay Healthcare Hub**'. The Hub can support Health and Social care staff to find suitable and affordable accommodation close to their place of work, by staying in a home of a local health and social care employee.

### How much does it cost?

It's completely free to sign up as a guest on Homestay.com.

The price of your stay is calculated based on your length of the stay and room rates set by the host.

To secure a booking, as a guest you are expected to pay a 7% (specially discounted for Homestay Healthcare Hub) booking fee on the price of stay to Homestay.com. Payment is made directly to the host either in advance or on arrival.

### How do I join?

The Homestay Healthcare Hub is ready for guests to sign up and explore places to stay with NHS hosts. All you need is an NHS email or your ODS number to register and then select which organisation you work for.

### Get started

If you're looking for a room near to your place of work or are changing work locations and need a temporary base, take a look here:

<https://nhs.homestay.com/>

### Get more help

 [citizensadvice.org.uk/housing](https://citizensadvice.org.uk/housing)

 [citizensadvice.somerset.org.uk/keyworkeradvice](https://citizensadvice.somerset.org.uk/keyworkeradvice)

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