

## The Bank Workers Charity (BWC) support for carers

When it comes to caring for a loved one, we know it can be an incredibly rewarding experience, but it can also have a negative impact on other aspects of life including our relationships and finances.

But by ensuring we're equipped with the right information and support, it can make a huge difference to the level of care we can provide and can help to reduce the negative impact it has on our wellbeing.

Here are a few ways BWC can support you in your role as a carer:

- Accessing benefits they can provide information and support to help you access welfare benefits you may be entitled to.
- Looking after your mental health they can offer you support and, in some cases, counselling or other therapies to help you look after your mental wellbeing.
- Identifying technology and devices they'll help to identify technology that can make life easier for both you and the person you care for. This may include lighting control, voice activated systems or fall detection devices.
- Accessing legal support they can offer you a telephone consultation with legal experts who can advise you on most aspects of British law, such as power of attorney.
- **Getting financial support** they may be able to provide you with financial support with general living expenses such as disability aids or home adaptations.

If you're a carer looking for support, or you want to know more about the practical things you can do to look after your own wellbeing, read <a href="BWC's carers guide">BWC's carers guide</a> or call their free and confidential Helpline on **0800 0234 834** - they're open 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday.

