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Claire Summers has been suffering from **MS** for 24 years. She also has **Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)**, a collection of lung diseases including **chronic bronchitis, emphysema** and **chronic obstructive airways disease**.

Due to her MS, Claire is wheelchair-bound and has been a client of Beaumont's since 2001.

Claire Summers with Beaumont care manager Kim Kyle. Beaumont looks after all of Claire's care needs with visits twice each day.

She previously had a 'split package' in which Beaumont and another provider shared her care responsibility.

However, Beaumont now looks after all of her care requirements.

A Beaumont carer visits Claire twice a day, seven days each week.

In the morning, Claire's carer washes and dresses her, helps her with her medication and gets her into her motorised wheelchair. Claire says Beaumont's care allows her to 'get up and live'.

In the evening, Beaumont's carers help Claire get into bed after washing her and making sure she is comfortable for the night.

Despite her care needs, Claire leads a very active life. She has ten grandchildren who keep her busy and she volunteers each Friday at the local church.

Claire said, "My Beaumont carers are great, we have a real laugh together. Thanks to Beaumont, I have a better quality of life. In fact, without Beaumont I wouldn't have a life at all.

"Instead of staying in bed all day, I can go out and enjoy myself every day – I am a busy lady you know! Importantly, I can also stay in my own home, with my own comforts and cherished family members".

