

## **Eligibility Criteria** Energy Company Obligation: Flexible Eligibility

To unlock additional funding, the household could be eligible if they are in fuel poverty **OR** a member of the household is vulnerable to the effects of living in a cold home<sup>1</sup>

## **Fuel Poverty**

To be included under this criteria the household must meet one of the 3 conditions:

- In order to maintain a healthy indoor environment, the household is required to spend more than 10% of its net income after housing costs on household fuel.
- Additionally a household can be considered for inclusion if the household meets EPC rating D-G with no connection to a gas grid. Houses which are older, detached and/or timber framed or solid wall will also be considered.
- If the household does not have a working central heating system you will be eligible for ECO Flex

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Vulnerable to cold – those living with health conditions, disabilities, illnesses or fall into a vulnerable category.



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## Vulnerable to Cold

Households where one or more people have a health condition which could be exacerbated by living in a cold home are eligible under this criteria. This could include (but is not limited to):  $^{2}$ 

- Cardiovascular conditions (e.g. coronary artery disease, congenital heart disease, etc.)
- Respiratory conditions (e.g. asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, etc.)
- Mental health conditions (e.g. depression, schizophrenia, etc.)
- Terminal illness
- Weakened or supressed immune system (e.g. caused by medication or illness such as HIV or cancer)
- Long term disability or illness (e.g. a disability causing limited mobility, learning difficulties, cancer, or dementia).

You can also be included if a member of your household is:

- Over the age of 70
- Under the age of 5
- Pregnant
- In acute or long-term debt

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Other health conditions not listed here which may be exacerbated by living in a cold home will be considered.