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## 2017 State and Commonwealth Industry Updates

6 July 2017 – 22 December 2017

### 21 December 2017

#### Aged Care Update

- Schedule of Fees and Charges (1 January 2018) update to Maximum Permissible Interest Rate

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/schedules-of-fees-and-charges-1-january-2018-update-to-maximum-permissible-interest-rate?e=b983c5a051>

### 20 December 2017

#### Aged Care Update – Service Provider Update

- CHSP extension update
- 2016-2017 Acquittals
- Data Exchange update
- My Aged Care update
- Credit, debit and prepaid card payment surcharges
- Wellness and Reablement review
- Client Contribution Framework Survey
- 2017 Wrap Up

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/chsp-provider-update-chsp-extension-2016-17-acquittals-data-exchange-and-more?e=b983c5a051>

### 19 December 2017

#### Aged Care Update:

- Operational hours over the holiday period
- Compulsory reporting of assaults and missing residents over the holiday period
- Indicators on quality survey closing soon
- National Aged Care Quality Indicator Program: data submission closes 21 January

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/provider-newsletter-christmas-shutdown-details-indicators-of-quality-survey-and-more?e=b983c5a051>

### 15 December 2017

#### Aged Care Update: End of Year reminders from DHS

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- Christmas period operational hours
- Advance payments for January 2018
- Missing or incorrect information causes delays
- January quarterly review for residential care and homecare recipients

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/end-of-year-reminders-from-dhs?e=b983c5a051>

### **13 December 2017**

Communique for Victorian CHSP Providers

- CHSP reporting
- Urgent referrals
- My Aged Care training in Victoria

[https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/communique\\_for\\_chsp\\_providers\\_-\\_december\\_2017.pdf](https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/communique_for_chsp_providers_-_december_2017.pdf)

My Aged Care Training Resource

[https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/resources\\_-\\_victorian\\_chsp\\_my\\_aged\\_care\\_training.pdf](https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/resources_-_victorian_chsp_my_aged_care_training.pdf)

Data Exchange Update: Data Exchange News

- Close of reporting period
- Data quality

<http://mailchi.mp/e37f921ff0dd/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

### **8 December 2017**

Aged Care Update: Information for Aged Care Providers newsletter

- New Aged Care Diversity Framework
- Reminder – Specialist Dementia Care Units
- How to make My Aged Care complaints
- My Aged Care – ‘how-to videos’
- Updated webpages – residential and home care fees
- Compulsory reporting of assaults and missing residents over the holiday period
- Residential resource utilisation and classification study now underway
- New fact sheets – home care packages program

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<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/provider-newsletter-new-aged-care-diversity-framework-how-to-make-my-aged-care-complaints-new-how-to-videos-and-more?e=b983c5a051>

Media release: START program - recruiting carers to test the feasibility of an 8-week support program, using videoconferencing.

<https://www.emralliance.org/blog--event-promotion/start-program-recruiting-carers-for-research>

Aged Care Update: Second Home Care Packages data report

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/second-home-care-packages-data-report?e=b983c5a051>

## 7 December 2017

Data Exchange Update: Data Exchange News

<http://mailchi.mp/bbbaafa5c2d1/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

## 6 December 2017

Aged Care Update – Share your views on indicators of quality in aged care

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/i7ok5n4g50?e=b983c5a051>

Media Releases

- New Era for Diversity in Aged Care – release of Australia’s latest Aged Care Diversity Framework
- Expanding East Gippsland Services for a Healthier Future

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/DDFF92A416749CDC2540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

- Major \$640 million investment in Australia’s world-leading medical research

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/060DC76052646B5F2540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

## 5 December 2017

Aged Care Update: My Aged Care system enhancements

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/my-aged-care-system-enhancements?e=b983c5a051>



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Aged Care Update – Webinar: CHSP Reporting 11 December

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/webinar-chsp-reporting-11-december-2017?e=b983c5a051>

### 1 December 2017

My Aged Care Provider Update – Summary of My Aged Care System Changes

This release is focused on delivering a number of high priority system improvements and builds on the changes made since 1 July 2015 to continue to improve the usability of the system.

[https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/summary\\_of\\_my\\_aged\\_care\\_system\\_changes\\_-\\_december\\_2017.pdf](https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/summary_of_my_aged_care_system_changes_-_december_2017.pdf)

### Media Releases

- New cervical cancer test is great news for Australian women
- 1.3 Million Australians benefit from record aged care funding

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/80853E3DC9AC09692540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

### Media Releases

- Continuing to make new medicines affordable for Australians
- Better health care for people with chronic conditions

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/DDCA93C8EA8F33D62540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

### 30 November 2017

Aged Care Update – New STRC consumer booklet and updated programme manual

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/new-strc-consumer-booklet-and-updated-programme-manual?e=b983c5a051>

### Media Releases

- Views sought on promised specialist dementia care units

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<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/D73BB3985CFBBAF22540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

- TGA undertakes regulatory actions after review into urogynaecological surgical mesh implants
- Tackle chronic disease by eating more fibre

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/F7ABA1E2DD7F5CED2540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

## 29 November 2017

### Data Exchange Update

- Seeking your feedback on the Translation Matrix
- Using the Data Exchange reports to ensure data quality
- Tips to prepare for the end of reporting

<http://mailchi.mp/1e8a55e3102b/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

### Media Releases

- \$53 million to find better mental health treatments and care

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/A1AE65DDD85CFF772540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

- Older persons Advocacy – Local Voices for Seniors in Need
- New videos say “U and Me Can Stop HIV”

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/FE30BF22396F6A832540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

## 28 November 2017

### Media Releases -

- \$33 Million for WA Researchers promises a Healthier Future
- New Aged Care Services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/AE515BA55BBEF7802540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

### Aged Care Update - Specialist Dementia Care Units – consultation paper

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/specialist-dementia-care-units-consultation-paper?e=b983c5a051>

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## 27 November 2017

### Sector Development Update -

- My Aged Care Training for CHSP Providers – training resource

[https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/resources\\_-\\_chsp\\_mac\\_provider\\_portal.pdf](https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/resources_-_chsp_mac_provider_portal.pdf)

### Data Exchange Update -

- Important enhancements to allow reports data sharing
- Changes to bulk uploads page in the Data Exchange portal
- Webinar updates

<http://mailchi.mp/7acbec261afa/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

## 24 November 2017

### Media Releases –

- Australia's health security to be put to the test
- Aged Care access to support cultural and linguist diversity

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/42A1C19A6280D5F42540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

### Media Release – Genetic promise personalised treatment to prevent blindness

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/CC5F0A1352A65EB62540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

## 23 November 2017

### Media Releases –

- Building Resilience: Festival of Indigenous Rugby League 2018
- Improving Aged Care for LGBTI Senior Australians

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/1BC7FEDFBCD021982540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

## 22 November 2017

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Sector Development Update – MAC Training for CHSP Providers, Registration update

[https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/mac\\_-\\_victoria\\_training\\_update\\_22\\_november.pdf](https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/mac_-_victoria_training_update_22_november.pdf)

### **21 November 2017**

Media Release -

- Donatelife 'Save of the Cup' Trophy Salutes Gift of Life
- New aged care facilities to support seniors in Grafton

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/E636BCA2EC6D6DBE2540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

Media Release - New movement guidelines to keep Aussie kids happy and healthy

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/8FEA5CC874DB10B22540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

### **20 November 2017**

Media Release – Record \$24 million for cardiovascular disease research

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/DE8280729DA0D2062540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

Media Release – A place to call home for 60 vulnerable seniors in the Central West

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/r-e-jrgittk-krtlukjtu-r/>

### **17 November 2017**

Sector Development Update – My Aged Care Training for CHSP Providers

[https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/mac\\_training\\_information\\_sheet\\_for\\_chsp\\_providers.pdf](https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/mac_training_information_sheet_for_chsp_providers.pdf)

### **16 November 2017**

Media Release - \$70 million boost for Australia's next generation of medical researchers



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<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/8A3274D3AEFE29842540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

### **13 November 2017**

#### Media Releases

- Newcastle University to receive \$12.2 million medical research boost
- Continuing work to help combat antimicrobial resistance
- Time to Give Thanks to Organ and tissue donors and their families – DonateLife Thank You Day Sunday 19 November

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/832263DFAE9333122540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

### **10 November 2017**

#### Aged Care Update – Information for Aged Care Providers

- Enhancement to My Aged Care
- Redesign of dementia consumer supports – public consultation closing soon
- My Aged Care homepage redesign project
- LGBTI resources for aged care providers, workers and consumers

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/provider-newsletter-enhancements-to-my-aged-care-dementia-supports-public-consultation-lgbti-resources-and-more?e=b983c5a051>

### **9 November 2017**

#### Media Release: \$12 Million NT Investment Aims to Save Lives and Close the Gap in Indigenous Health

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/ministers/publishing.nsf/Content/health-mediarel-yr2017-wyatt114.htm>

### **8 November 2017**

#### Aged Care Update – Aged Care Workforce Strategy Taskforce starts

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/aged-care-workforce-strategy-taskforce-starts?e=b983c5a051>





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### **7 November 2017**

Aged Care Update – Home Care package withdrawals

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/home-care-package-withdrawals-ofbv10176v?e=b983c5a051>

### **3 November 2017**

Data Exchange News

<http://mailchi.mp/48197aec74f6/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

October Communique for CHSP providers in Victoria

[https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/communique\\_for\\_chsp\\_providers\\_-\\_october\\_2017.pdf](https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/communique_for_chsp_providers_-_october_2017.pdf)

Fact Sheet - Transition Out of CHSP Service Delivery for Providers

[https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/fact\\_sheet\\_for\\_transition\\_out\\_of\\_chsp\\_service\\_delivery.pdf](https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/fact_sheet_for_transition_out_of_chsp_service_delivery.pdf)

### **2 November 2017**

Aged Care Update: Enhancements to My Aged Care

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/enhancements-to-my-aged-care?e=b983c5a051>

### **30 October 2017**

Media Release: Flu Vaccines; Robots - Laser Beams Highlight Future in Aged Care Innovation

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/4E5CCB4A6EFB25D82540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

Aged Care Update: Learn more about the Residential Aged Care Resource Utilisation and Classification Study

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/learn-more-about-the-residential-aged-care-resource-utilisation-and-classification-study?e=b983c5a051>



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### **27 October 2017**

Aged Care Update: Aged Care regulatory processes review – report released

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/aged-care-regulatory-processes-review-report-released?e=b983c5a051>

### **26 October 2017**

Data Exchange News:

- Organisation overview report – webinar now available on the DEX website
- Exploring options to expand the translation matrix

<http://mailchi.mp/1ae38ad1090e/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

### **25 October 2017**

My Aged Care Update: New NDIS Factsheets

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/new-ndis-factsheets?e=b983c5a051>

### **24 October 2017**

Aged Care Update: Webinar – My Aged Care operational update 31 October 2017

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/webinar-my-aged-care-operational-update-31-october?e=b983c5a051>

Aged Care Update: Data Exchange guidance material now available

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/data-exchange-guidance-material-now-available?e=b983c5a051>

### **19 October 2017**

Aged Care Update: Review of the Aged Care Funding Instrument

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/review-of-the-aged-care-funding-instrument?e=b983c5a051>

Media Release:

- New report outlines residential aged care funding reform options

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- Australians Urged to 'Love Your Bones' on World Osteoporosis Day

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### **18 October 2017**

CHSP and HACC-PYP Sector Change Management and Support Bulletin

[https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/scms\\_bulltein\\_-\\_october\\_2017.pdf](https://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/scms_bulltein_-_october_2017.pdf)

### **17 October 2017**

Industry Alert: emergency planning for aged care services

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/industry-alert-emergency-planning-for-aged-care-services?e=b983c5a051>

My Aged Care evaluation findings

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/my-aged-care-evaluation-findings?e=b983c5a051>

### **16 October 2017**

Data Exchange Update:

- Client outcome focus continues in October
- Two more partnership approach reports released this week
- Upcoming webinar and other user support
- Client survey pause

<http://mailchi.mp/9fba4309dbb4/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

Aged Care Update – Participate in the NSAF Review survey

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/participate-in-the-nsaf-review-survey?e=b983c5a051>

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- Reviewing of the National Screening and Assessment Form and upcoming survey
- My Aged Care consumer resources
- Residential Care Quality Indicator Program – data submission closes 21 October

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/provider-newsletter-review-of-the-nsaf-my-aged-care-consumer-resources-and-quality-indicators-data-submission?e=b983c5a051>

### 6 October 2017

Data Exchange Update:

- Data Quality month ends
- October focus on the value of outcomes data
- New standard report well received by organisations
- Two more partnership approach reports coming
- Training and supports available

<http://mailchi.mp/b181847a73e7/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

Aged Care Update: Check for valid ACAT approval

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/check-for-valid-acat-approval?e=b983c5a051>

### 4 October 2017

Aged Care Update: New CHSP Organisation Overview Report

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/new-chsp-organisation-overview-report?e=b983c5a051>

### 3 October 2017

Media Release: New provider to bring better access to hearing services across Australia

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/0B41067C6204CF092540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

### 2 October 2017

DHHS Fact Sheet: Information for HACC-PYP providers on the NDIS transition

- Part 1. Transitional funding arrangements
- Part 2. How will it work?

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- Part 3. Nursing and allied health
- Part 4. Monitoring and reporting during phase-in
- Part 5. Commonly asked questions
- Part 6. Roll-out schedule and eligibility
- Part 7. Registration with the NDIS

[http://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/dhhs\\_fact\\_sheet\\_on\\_ndis\\_transition\\_for\\_hacc-pyp.pdf](http://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/dhhs_fact_sheet_on_ndis_transition_for_hacc-pyp.pdf)

### 29 September 2017

Information for Aged Care Providers:

- Home Care Packages Program Data Report
- Additional level 3 and 4 home care packages
- Wait time for home care packages
- Combining or transferring home care services
- ACFI provider portal changes for residential care providers
- Quality Indicator Program – end of quarter one 2017-18

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/subject-lineprovider-newsletter-acfi-provider-portal-changes-combining-or-transferring-home-care-services-and-more?e=b983c5a051>

Message from DHS: Quarterly Review September 2017

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/message-from-dhs-quarterly-review-september-2017?e=b983c5a051>

Aged Care Update: Steps to prevent home care package withdrawals

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/steps-to-prevent-home-care-package-withdrawals?e=b983c5a051>

### 26 September 2017

Communique for CHSP Providers – September:

- allied health and nursing referrals in My Aged Care;
- the recent Legislated Review of Aged Care 2017;
- financial acquittals;
- the Sector Support and Development (SSD) extension;
- SSD reporting; and



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- the DEX data quality month.

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Industry Alert: new forms for compulsory reporting requirements

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/industry-alert-new-forms-for-compulsory-reporting-requirements?e=b983c5a051>

## 22 September 2017

Aged Care Update: Multi-Purpose Services – Flexible Places Allocations Round – opens 25 September

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/multi-purpose-services-flexible-places-allocations-round-opens-25-september?e=b983c5a051>

Media Release: Australia to host region's key health decision makers

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/C7F784A5F940761D2540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

Media Release: Grass roots response to win ice war

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/F7E1B65DB32CD3562540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

## 21 September 2017

Additional Information: Victorian CHSP allied health and nursing pathway transition to My Aged Care

- Fact Sheet - Victorian CHSP allied health and nursing pathway transition to My Aged Care  
[http://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/fact\\_sheet\\_-\\_vic\\_service\\_options\\_for\\_older\\_people\\_-\\_21\\_september\\_2017.pdf](http://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/fact_sheet_-_vic_service_options_for_older_people_-_21_september_2017.pdf)
- Further information for CHSP allied health and nursing providers  
[http://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/further\\_information\\_-\\_for\\_chsp\\_allied\\_health\\_and\\_nursing\\_providers\\_-\\_21\\_september\\_2017.pdf](http://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/further_information_-_for_chsp_allied_health_and_nursing_providers_-_21_september_2017.pdf)
- Further information for health professionals making referrals  
[http://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/further\\_information\\_-\\_health\\_professionals\\_making\\_referrals\\_-\\_21\\_september\\_2017.pdf](http://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/further_information_-_health_professionals_making_referrals_-_21_september_2017.pdf)

Aged Care Update: ACFI My Aged Care provider portal changes

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/acfi-my-aged-care-provider-portal-changes?e=b983c5a051>



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## 20 September 2017

### Aged Care Update:

- CHSP – update for service providers
- Sector Support and Development funding extension
- My Aged Care update
- Data Exchange providers reports coming soon
- Withdrawal and novations
- Funding increase for some CHSP meal providers
- WA HACC transition
- CHSP acquittals and cessation of SSR

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/chsp-provider-update-chsp-extension-sector-support-and-development-funding-extension-and-more?e=b983c5a051>

### Data Exchange News:

- Implementation review findings for clients survey pilot
- New report and reading guide to assist with data quality

<http://mailchi.mp/a40d9940597f/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

### Aged Care Update: Season influenza outbreaks

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/seasonal-influenza-outbreaks-wciulthjof?e=b983c5a051>

## 19 September 2017

### Aged Care Update: Indexation rates for Residential Aged Care and Home Care Packages and changes to the Maximum Permissible Interest Rate (MPIR)

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/indexation-rates-for-residential-aged-care-and-home-care-packages-and-changes-to-the-maximum-permissible-interest-rate-mpir?e=b983c5a051>

### Media release: More support for people with an eating disorder

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/00E81D23D4FFD3992540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

## 18 September 2017

### Media Release: World-leading children's cancer initiative kicks off

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## 15 September 2017

Information for Aged Care Providers:

- Legislated Review of Aged Care 2017 – final report now available
- Prudential Standards Review
- Aged Care Sector Committee Communique 16 June 2017

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/provider-newsletter-legislative-review-of-aged-care-2017-final-report-prudential-standards-review-released-and-more?e=b983c5a051>

Aged Care Update: Home Care Packages data report and wait times

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/home-care-packages-data-report-and-wait-times?e=b983c5a051>

Media release: Older Australians living at home will benefit from an Australia Government investment of an additional \$8 million in funding for meals providers through Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP).

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/ministers/publishing.nsf/Content/health-mediarel-yr2017-wyatt094.htm>

## 14 September 2017

Media Release:

- 6,000 extra high need home care packages and \$20 million My Aged Care revamp;
- Have your say on cancer care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/F2F06EF5B038BE342540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

Aged Care Update: COTA Australia's Increasing Self-management in Home Care Project Survey

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/cota-australias-increasing-self-management-in-home-care-project-survey?e=b983c5a051>





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### **11 September 2017**

Announcement: Medical technology investment to improve lives

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/B5D9F5391442E0072540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

### **8 September 2017**

Announcement: New NDIS Roll-out Areas

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/new-ndis-rollout-areas-mp4kicokeq?e=b983c5a051>

Announcement: Rugby legends team up for new Deadly Kangaroos World Cup health campaign

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/45D1BC78C77A8CB22540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

### **6 September 2017**

2017 Data Exchange News:

- Improvements to DSS standard reports
- New 'Organisation overview' report being released 8 September
- Training and support available
- Standard report for the Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP)

<http://mailchi.mp/ba43d426ab22/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

### **4 September 2017**

Announcement: Prudential Standards Review

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/prudential-standards-review?e=b983c5a051>

### **1 September 2017**

Information for Aged Care Providers:

- Aged care quality regulatory processes review extended
- Updated costs information on My Aged Care
- Information for younger people in aged care and the NDIS

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/provider-newsletter-aged-care-quality-review-extended-new-costs-information-for-consumers-and-ndis-information-for-younger-people-in-care?e=b983c5a051>



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Media Release: Launch of 'Kids Alive- Do The Five' and Australians Asked to gear Up For Organ Donation on Jersey Day

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/2E507A1F9FCCA5EC2540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

### **30 August 2017**

Data Exchange News: September 'data quality month' starts this Friday

<http://mailchi.mp/d8de23d33c49/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

Announcement: Improvements to Human Services website

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/improvements-to-human-services-website?e=b983c5a051>

Media Release: Making more life-changing medicines available to all Australians

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/83C8B8FC5510EEEE2540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

### **25 August 2017**

Announcement: Aged Care Complaints quarterly bulletins now available

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/aged-care-complaints-quarterly-bulletins-now-available?e=b983c5a051>

Announcement: 2017 ACFA annual Report now available

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/2017-acfa-annual-report-now-available?e=b983c5a051>

### **24 August 2017**

Announcement: Message from DSS – Registrations open for a new panel of disability employment service providers

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/message-from-dss-registrations-open-for-a-new-panel-of-disability-employment-services-providers?e=b983c5a051>



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Media release: Major new measures to help combat rare cancers

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/B9E1648E5CAEF3832540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

### **23 August 2017**

Announcement: Data Exchange “Data Quality Month” for CHSP Service Providers

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/data-exchange-data-quality-month-for-chsp-service-providers?e=b983c5a051>

### **22 August 2017**

Webinar: New ‘Gen – Aged Care Data’ website

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/webinar-new-gen-aged-care-data-website?e=b983c5a051>

Announcement: Australian Bureau of Statistics Aged Care Letter- Australian Marriage Law Postal Survey

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/australian-bureau-of-statistics-aged-care-letter-australian-marriage-law-postal-survey?e=b983c5a051>

**21 August 2017** Media release: Record number of Australians receiving Medicare benefits

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/57CB928BE40F08E72540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

**18 August 2017** Information for Aged Care Providers:

- DACS Research and Innovation funding round outcome
- Register for online dementia training
- Webinar 24 August – new ‘GEN Aged Care Data’ website
- Reminder ACFI portal changes for residential care providers

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/provider-newsletter-dementia-training-dacs-research-funding-outcome-new-data-webinar-and-more?e=b983c5a051>

**16 August 2017** Announcement: Aged care quality regulatory processes review extended



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<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/aged-care-quality-regulatory-processes-review-extended?e=b983c5a051>

**15 August 2017** Announcement: Residential Aged Care Resource Utilisation and Classification Study

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/residential-aged-care-resource-utilisation-and-classification-study?e=b983c5a051>

**7 August 2017**

Announcement: My Aged Care system changes delivered

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/my-aged-care-system-changes-delivered?e=b983c5a051>

Announcement: Aboriginal Experience Contributes to World Conference

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/EBE95ABDF39207F62540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

**4 August 2017**

Data exchange Update: Data Exchange portal enhancements, Data Quality Month coming soon, New and Updated Web Resources

<http://mailchi.mp/e6fb36da89c9/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

Information for Aged Care Providers:

- New Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander resources on My Aged Care
- University of Tasmania free Understanding Dementia online course
- AAG webinar series schedule
- Reminder – ACFI Request for Reconsideration Template
- Provision of continence aids in residential aged care facilities
- New national compulsory reporting email address is now operational
- Don't miss out – have your say on future care at home reform

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## 26 July 2017

Announcement: Conference Strengthens Indigenous Suicide Prevention

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/BFD73B79A07CA85E2540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

Announcement: FFA teams up with DonateLife in winning bid to save lives

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/CB45D26B8638C3B02540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

**25 July 2017** My Aged Care: Instructions to address USB stick AUSkey issues resulting from My Aged Care System Release 24 July 2017.

- After following instructions users will be required to back-up, reformat and download AUSkey onto USB.
- If you continue to experience issues with your AUSkey, please contact the ATO Technical Helpdesk on 1300 139 373.

[http://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/auskey\\_usb\\_communications.pdf](http://www.emralliance.org/uploads/9/7/7/9/97794766/auskey_usb_communications.pdf)

**24 July 2017** Data exchange Update: Data reporting end date reminder and new webinars available in library.

<http://mailchi.mp/5ef72fa1d9e5/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

<https://dex.dss.gov.au/webinar-library/>

## 21 July 2017

My Aged Care System Release Update:

The *Summary of Changes* document for Release 8, due to occur 24 July 2017, is now available on the department's website.

<https://agedcare.health.gov.au/summary-of-my-aged-care-system-changes-24-july-2017>



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#### Information for Aged Care Providers:

- My Aged Care translated resources
- Reminder: Seeking your views - Future care at home reform
- ACFI provider portal changes for residential care providers
- New national compulsory reporting email address

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#### 13 July 2017

Announcement: Seeking your views – Future care at home reform

Important reforms in home care were introduced in February 2017 to give consumers more choice in selecting a home care provider. There is now also a nationally consistent process for assigning home care packages to consumers.

Before making decisions on future reform, the Government wants to hear further from the sector on what you believe is the best way forward

<http://us10.campaign-archive2.com/?u=1108de8332cef333bc1956686&id=a30af5df8b>

Consultation Hub: Future reform – an integrated care at home program to support older Australians

- Discussion paper
- Submission template
- Closes 21 August 2017

<https://consultations.health.gov.au/aged-care-policy-and-regulation/discussion-paper-future-care-at-home-reform/>

#### Data Exchange Update:

- End of reporting period on Sunday 30 July 2017
- Roadshow feedback and findings
- Client Survey pilot extension and upcoming training

<http://mailchi.mp/7305a7f249a2/dss-data-exchange-updates?e=9cf731e6a9>

#### 12 July 2017 My Aged Care: Changes to the Provider Portal User Interface 24 July 2017

<http://www.emralliance.org/rdcras-updates.html>



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## 11 July 2017

Aged Care Updates: New National Aged care Advocacy Program

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/new-national-aged-care-advocacy-program?e=b983c5a051>

Media Release: Streamlines My Aged Care improves consumer support and access; Innovation grants support dementia and aged care choices; New \$25.7 Million Nation Aged Care Advocacy Program

<http://healthmedia.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/D80CB86CFA7261422540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

Media Release: ReLink national program a winner for Australia's disadvantaged

<http://healthmedia.cmail19.com/t/ViewEmail/r/5762B2473412E8C52540EF23F30FEDED/5CFE4776012E6D8C2C69F821C9DCC086>

## 10 July 2017

Communique to Aged Care Providers: Quarterly Review July 2017

[https://gallery.mailchimp.com/1108de8332cef333bc1956686/files/2a4fb7bb-6b8f-46a1-a41c-853cd327838a/Quarterly\\_Review\\_July\\_2017.pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/1108de8332cef333bc1956686/files/2a4fb7bb-6b8f-46a1-a41c-853cd327838a/Quarterly_Review_July_2017.pdf)

## 7 July 2017

Provider Newsletter: changes to representation in My Aged Care, QI Program and more

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/provider-newsletter-changes-to-representation-in-my-aged-care-qi-program-and-more?e=b983c5a051>

## 6 July 2017

NDIS eligibility meetings: Information requirements

<http://mailchi.mp/agedcareupdates/ndis-eligibility-meeting?e=b983c5a051>

### Additional Electronic Resources

- The Commonwealth Department of Health regularly produces the Information for Aged Care Providers newsletter. You can access previous newsletters on this page:  
<https://agedcare.health.gov.au/ageing-and-aged-care-news-and-updates-advice-to-the-aged-care-industry/information-for-aged-care-providers>



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- The Commonwealth Department of Health hosts webinars on a range of topics relevant to the Aged Care sector. You can view previous webinars and keep up to date with upcoming webinars on this page: <https://agedcare.health.gov.au/news-and-resources/webinars>
- The Commonwealth Department of Social Services has electronic resources to assist users of the Data Exchange to navigate the new IT system and perform different functions. <https://dex.dss.gov.au/training-resources/>

This resource has been created to support our alliance members to access timely and relevant industry information, about future changes and reform in the aged care and disability service sectors. An electronic copy of this document can be accessed via the EMR Alliance website, <http://www.emralliance.org/rdcras-updates.html> .