Navigating Transition, Delivering Quality

Support at Home and Commonwealth Home Support Program Policy update

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The unseen impact



Outline

Key provisions & policy updates

Sector insights

Working towards: Well designed reform

Questions & comments



Key Provisions: Rights

The Statement of Rights isn't just symbolic — it's legislated and needs to be embedded from the frontline to the boardroom.

Be open to how rights can be enhanced — it's cultural evolution

Describe how your organisation delivers rights.



Key Provisions: Funding and pricing

Year 1 Pricing (Support at Home)

- Aligning to indicative pricing is not a requirement
- Build in contingency rules still evolving, costs may rise

Post 1 July 2026 - Price CAPS

Efficiency and consistency in pricing across the sector

Renegotiating pricing can be resource intensive with no guarantee of agreement.





Key Provisions: Agreements – the foundation for quality and compliance

Agreement as a safeguard & shared understanding

Contracting process

Offer, acceptance & consideration

Considerations for agreement creation

- Detail
- Language reflected in your policies and procedures
- Purchasing allow time
- Training for those who are offering the agreements.



Key Provisions: Agreements - CHSP & HCP providers

CHSP providers

- New obligation
- Care management and process to offer

HCP providers

Increased obligations and comprehensive agreements

Post July 2027: Potential for multiple agreements??

All providers must have compliant agreements to offer services after July 2025.





Key Provisions: Measuring quality

Regulator obligations

- Actively 'promoting' and 'encouraging' high-quality care
- Built into legislation
- Rating System 3-tiered rating system conformance, non-conformance and major non-conformance

Practicalities of Transition

- The Commission must respond to non-compliance however has discretion in approach
- Continuous Quality Improvement Plans update



Establishment of a National Aged Care Mandatory Quality Indicator Program for in-home aged care services

Consultation survey



Sector insights: Care management and support staff

The role of Care Managers/Partners

- · Pivotal role in delivering person-centred care
- Relationship-based
- Price must match complexity and value

Keeping staff safe

Foster a strong reporting culture





Sector insights: Quality triangle

Time

Just weeks before commencement

Scope

- Entire service and funding model
- Every area of business

Resources

- Funding
- Staffing

Transition and the future



Working toward: Well-designed reform

- Continued political engagement
- Continued engagement with the Department
- Ongoing engagement with members to ascertain key concerns and for examples/evidence
- Further engagement with subject matter experts on identifying and assessing risks





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Questions and Comments

Policy Timing

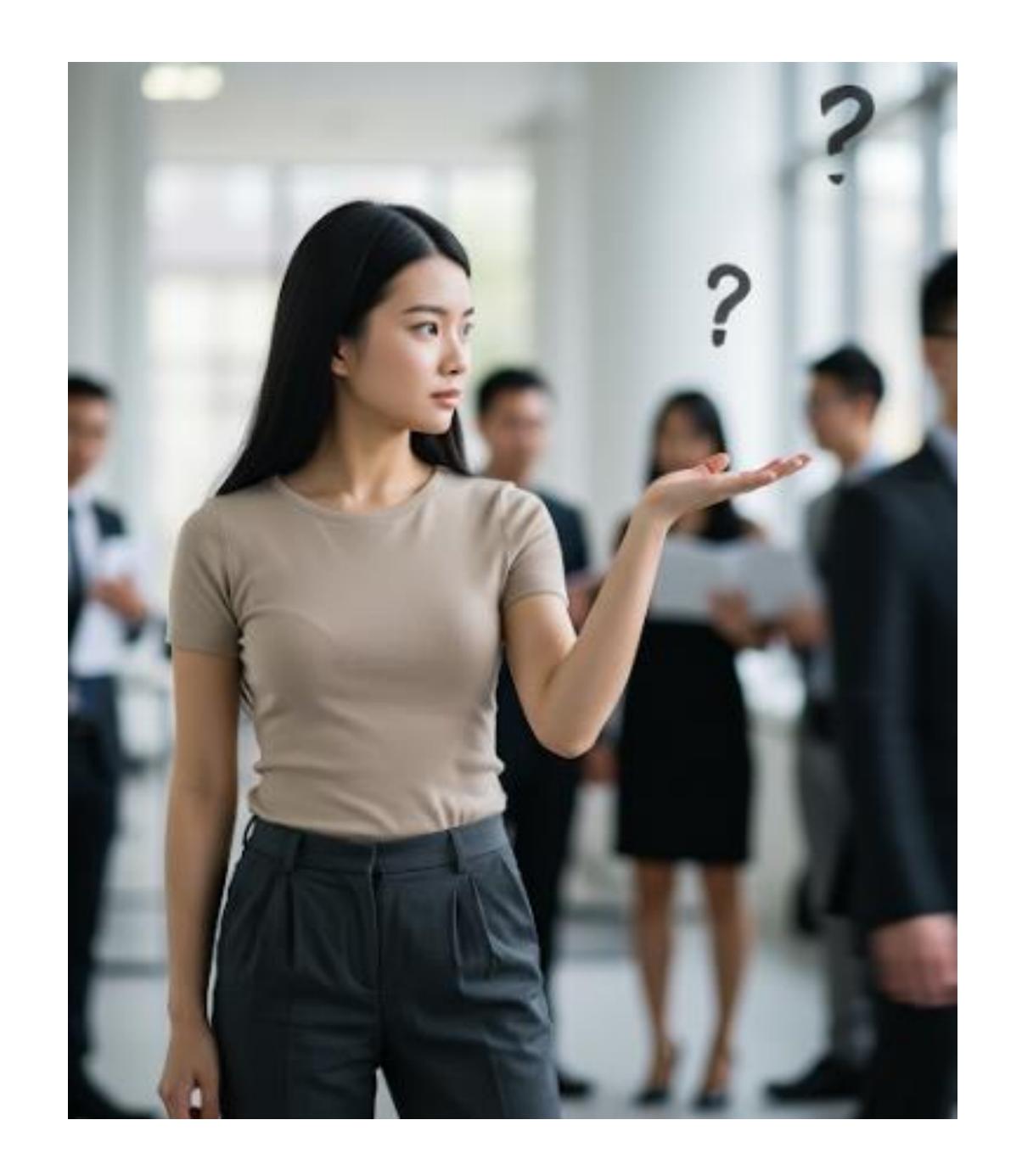
Scope Risks

Expectations

Statement of rights

Funding Quality

Agreements



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