

COMPREHENSIVE PALLIATIVE CARE IN AGED CARE MEASURE

Variation to Schedule B – Northern Territory

PART 1: PRELIMINARIES

1. This schedule has been developed in accordance with clause 13 of the Project Agreement for Comprehensive Palliative Care in Aged Care and should be read in conjunction with that Agreement.
2. This schedule will commence as soon as it is agreed between the Commonwealth and the Northern Territory and expires on 30 June 2024 or on completion of the project whichever is earlier, including final performance reporting and processing of final payments against milestones.

PART 2: FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

3. The Commonwealth and the Northern Territory estimated financial contribution to the operation of this Schedule are shown below.

(\$ million)	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	Total
Estimated total budget	0.150	0.206	0.218	0.228	0.240	1.042
Less estimated National Partnership Payments	0.075	0.103	0.109	0.114	0.120	0.521
Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	0.075	0.103	0.109	0.114	0.120	0.521

4. The Northern Territory is providing a partial contribution of \$0.521 million to this Agreement. Under this cost shared model the Commonwealth will match the Northern Territory's partial contribution.

PART 3: PROJECT MILESTONES, REPORTING AND PAYMENTS

5. Project 1 - Central Australia Palliative Care Coordination

The Central Australia Palliative Care Coordination project will provide new and innovative approaches and expansions of existing models to improve palliative care for older Australians living in Residential Aged Care Facilities (RACF) in Central Australia.

Estimated financial contributions - Project 1

(\$ million)	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	Total
Estimated total budget	0.150	0.154	0.158	0.162	0.168	0.792
Less estimated National Partnership Payments	0.075	0.077	0.079	0.081	0.084	0.396
Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	0.075	0.077	0.079	0.081	0.084	0.396

6. In accordance with clause 15 of the Agreement, milestones for projects, their relationship to outputs, expected completion dates, relevant reporting dates and expected payments are set out in Table 1.

7. Northern Territory will also prepare an annual report due 30 April 2021, 30 April 2022, 30 April 2023 and 30 April 2024, that includes:

- a. Commencing implementation of the NT Comprehensive Palliative Care in Aged Care model in the Old Timers Nursing Home incorporating Flynn Lodge and Hetti Perkins Nursing Home. This model includes:
 - i. Commencing screening of residents using Palliative Care Needs rounds model
 - ii. Supporting RACF's and attendant GP's to develop a plan for End of Life preferences utilizing Advance Personal Plans and Goals of Care plans for all patients screened
 - iii. Delivering, monitoring and evaluating a cycle of routine educational activities including case based reviews in RACF's
 - iv. Targeted case reviews with GP's
 - v. Monitoring Alice Springs Hospital Emergency Department admissions from all Central Australia RACF's and conducting case reviews to identify if the admission was preventable.

8. Project 2 – Top End Palliative Care Coordination

The Top End Palliative Care Coordination project will provide new and innovative approaches and expansions of existing models to improve palliative care for older Australians living in Residential Aged Care Facilities (RACF) in the Top End.

Estimated financial contributions – Project 2

\$	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	Total
Estimated total budget	0	0.052	0.060	0.066	0.072	0.250
Less estimated National Partnership Payments	0	0.026	0.030	0.033	0.036	0.125
Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	0	0.026	0.030	0.033	0.036	0.125

9. In accordance with clause 15 of the Agreement, milestones for projects, their relationship to outputs, expected completion dates, relevant reporting dates and expected payments are set out in Table 1.

10. Northern Territory will also prepare an annual report due 30 April 2021, 30 April 2022, 30 April 2023 and 30 April 2024, that includes:

- a. Commencing implementation of the NT Comprehensive Palliative Care in Aged Care model in the Regis Tiwi, Juninga Centre Aged Care Facility and Pearl Supported Care in Darwin. This model includes:
 - i. Commencing screening of residents using Palliative Care Needs rounds model
 - ii. Supporting RACF's and attendant GP's to develop a plan for End of Life preferences utilizing Advance Personal Plans and Goals of Care plans for all patients screened
 - iii. Delivering, monitoring and evaluating a cycle of routine educational activities including case based reviews in RACF's

- iv. Targeted case reviews with attendant GP's
- v. Monitoring Royal Darwin and Palmerston Hospitals Emergency Department admissions from all Top End RACF's and conducting case reviews to identify if the admission was preventable.

Table 1: Milestones, reporting and payment summary

Output	Milestones	Report due	Payment
Provide new and innovative approaches and expansions of existing models to improve palliative care for older Australians living in residential aged care facilities	Agreement of project activities	Payment upon signing Schedule	\$0.075
	Performance Report No. 1	30/04/2021	\$0.103
	(a) Project 1 and 2 – Commence development of education and assessment programmes and reporting instruments. Initial identification of existing gaps in current service delivery of all relevant stakeholders i.e. Residential Aged Care Facilities (RACF) and attendant General Practitioner (GP).	30/04/2021	
	(b) Project 1 – Identify and review quality of current educational resources for example delirium plans, constipation management, care of the deteriorating patient and End of Life care, used to manage palliative care patients in Old Timers Nursing Home incorporating Flynn Lodge, and Hetti Perkins Nursing Home.	30/04/2021	
	(c) Project 2 – Identify and review quality of current educational resources for example delirium plans, constipation management, care of the deteriorating patient and End of Life care, used to manage palliative care patients in Regis Tiwi, Juninga Centre Aged Care Facility and Pearl Supported Care.	30/04/2021	

Output	Milestones	Report due	Payment
	Performance Report No. 2	30/04/2022	\$0.109
	(a) Project 1 – Commence extension of model to Tennant Creek and Mutitjulu utilizing Telehealth and planned visits by multidisciplinary team to support remote RACF's whilst maintaining the ongoing programme in RACF's already involved.	30/04/2022 30/04/2023 30/04/2024	
	(b) Project 2 – Commence extension of model to Terrace Gardens Aged Care Facility whilst maintaining the ongoing programme in RACF's already involved.	30/04/2022 30/04/2023 30/04/2024	
	Performance Report No. 3	30/04/2023	\$0.114
	(a) Project 1 – Commence extension of model to Docker River and Pukatja (Ernabella) utilizing Telehealth and planned visits by multidisciplinary team to support the remote RACF's whilst maintaining the ongoing programme in RACF's already involved.	30/04/2023 30/04/2024	
	(b) Project 2 – Commence extension of model to Katherine utilizing Telehealth and planned visits by multidisciplinary team to support regional RACF's whilst maintaining the ongoing programme in RACF's already involved.	30/04/2023 30/04/2024	
	FINAL REPORT	30/04/2024	\$0.120
	TOTAL FUNDS PAYABLE		\$0.521m

Sign off

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this schedule as follows:

**Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of
Australia by**



The Honourable Greg Hunt MP
Minister for Health

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10 December 2020

**Signed for and on behalf of the
Northern Territory by**



The Honourable Natasha Fyles MLA
Minister for Health

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