Aged Care Worker Screening – Preparatory Support – Northern Territory FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT - HEALTH

Table 1: For	malities and operation of schedule
Parties	Commonwealth
	Northern Territory
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2025 or upon completion with the provision of the final report.
Purpose	This Schedule supports the ongoing collaboration between the Commonwealth and state and territory governments to operationalise aged care worker screening and to enable jurisdictions to undertake the necessary preparatory activities to facilitate information sharing through legislative and Communications Technology (ICT) system changes prior to commencement of aged care worker screening.
	Funding for this Schedule will be used for preparatory activities to operationalise aged care worker screening as outlined in the state or territory funding request. With regard to Northern Territory, funding will be used for the following bodies of work:
	 overall project management and analysis of territory-based legislative and business/operational requirements to support the implementation of the national aged care worker screening, such as:
	 preliminary analysis of the impact of proposed legislation on the community
	 enhancement of existing Minimum Viable Product (MVP) National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) worker screening ICT system, such as:
	 development and implementation of automated functionality for case management, workflow and mandatory reporting in the MVP NDIS ICT system that is required to subsequently be used for aged care worker screening
	 analysis of ICT technical specification requirements and design of additional aged care worker screening functionality.

Estimated financial contributions

The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to Northern Territory of \$1.796 million in respect of this Schedule.

Table 1		
(\$)	2024-25	Total
Estimated total budget	1,796,000.00	1,796,000.00
Less estimated National Partnership Payments	1,796,000.00	1,796,000.00
Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	0.00	0.00

Additional terms

The Parties agree funding can be used for travel and accommodation for one Northern Territory officer to participate in two in-person Aged Care Worker Screening workshops to implement the national aged care worker screening process.

The Parties acknowledge Northern Territory will commence implementation preparation as soon as possible as territory-based legislative reform and ICT changes must be initiated prior to commencement of the aged care worker screening.

The Parties acknowledge that this funding is provided on the basis of Northern Territory's in-principle agreement to deliver aged care worker screening, which is subject to execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement.

Table 2: Performance require	Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary		
Output (delete if the schedule has one output only)	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Delivery of the early preparatory activities and ongoing collaboration required prior to implementation of aged care worker screening, as	Milestone 1: Provision of an outline confirming preparatory activities have commenced, including a forecast delivery schedule for completion against the activities outlined in the submitted funding request.	16/08/2024	50 % payment in accordance with Table 1.
prescribed in Table 1 of the Schedule.	Milestone 2: Provision of status report clearly detailing: Progress of work as outlined in the delivery schedule from milestone 1 Confirmation of how these activities contribute towards operational readiness for implementation of aged care worker screening.	No later than 31/12/2024	50 % payment in accordance with Table 1.
	 List of any outstanding deliverables with scheduled completion dates 		Payment made following receipt of mid-point report.
	Milestone 3: Provision of a final report outlining the outputs achieved, their contribution to overall project outcomes and operational readiness for implementation of aged care worker screening, include an overall assessment of the benefits arising from the preparatory activities and confirmation that the funds were used for the purposes outlined.	31/07/2025	Nil.

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

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by

The Honourable Anika Wells MP

Minister for Aged Care

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Signed for and on behalf of the Northern Territory by

The Honourable Steven Edgington MLA
Minister for Health; Mental Health; Alcohol Policy;
Aboriginal Affairs; Housing, Local Government and
Community Development; Essential Services

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