

# Aged Care Worker Screening – Preparatory Support – South Australia

## FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – HEALTH

<b>Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule</b>	
<b>Parties</b>	Commonwealth South Australia
<b>Duration</b>	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2025 or upon completion with the provision of the final report.
<b>Purpose</b>	<p>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 Information and Communications Technology (ICT) system changes prior to commencement of aged care worker screening.</p> <p>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 South Australia, funding will be used for the following bodies of work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• procurement of staff to undertake reform work for national aged care worker screening and policy and system development</li> <li>• participate in discussions, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ on state-based legislative reform to enable information sharing between jurisdictions prior to operationalising national aged care screenings</li> <li>○ on key policy and design discussions and decisions to support the implementation of the national aged care worker screening</li> <li>○ with the Commonwealth consultants from Ernst &amp; Young to provide them a comprehensive overview of screening</li> </ul> </li> <li>• development of required ICT technical specifications and systems work plan and coordinate input from affected stakeholders</li> <li>• assessment of current state for aged care checks</li> <li>• gap assessment of system and process changes required for new aged care check based on changes to policy</li> </ul>

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<p>Estimated financial contributions</p>	<p>The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to South Australia of \$821,100 in respect of this Schedule.</p> <hr/> <p><b>Table 1</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="427 544 794 577">(\$)</th> <th data-bbox="826 544 970 577">2024-25</th> <th data-bbox="1098 544 1177 577">Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="427 589 699 622"><b>Estimated total budget</b></td> <td data-bbox="826 589 970 622"><b>821,100.00</b></td> <td data-bbox="1034 589 1177 622"><b>821,100.00</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="427 633 699 701">Less estimated National Partnership Payments</td> <td data-bbox="826 633 970 667"><b>821,100.00</b></td> <td data-bbox="1034 633 1177 667"><b>821,100.00</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="427 712 778 790">Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions</td> <td data-bbox="906 712 970 745">0.00</td> <td data-bbox="1114 712 1177 745">0.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <hr/>	(\$)	2024-25	Total	<b>Estimated total budget</b>	<b>821,100.00</b>	<b>821,100.00</b>	Less estimated National Partnership Payments	<b>821,100.00</b>	<b>821,100.00</b>	Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	0.00	0.00
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<p>Additional terms</p>	<p>The Parties agree funding can be used for travel and accommodation for one South Australian officer to participate in two in-person Aged Care Worker Screening workshops to implement the national aged care worker screening process.</p> <p>The Parties acknowledge South Australia will commence implementation preparation as soon as possible as state-based legislative reform and ICT changes must be initiated prior to commencement of the aged care worker screening.</p> <p>The Parties acknowledge that this funding is provided on the basis of South Australia's in-principle agreement to deliver aged care worker screening, which is subject to execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement.</p>												

**Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary**

Output (delete if the schedule has one output only)	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
<p>Delivery of the early preparatory activities and ongoing collaboration required prior to implementation of aged care worker screening, as prescribed in Table 1 of the Schedule.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>16/08/24</p>	<p>50 % payment in accordance with Table 1.</p>
	<p>Milestone 2: Provision of status report clearly detailing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Progress of work as outlined in the delivery schedule from milestone 1</li> <li>• Confirmation of how these activities contribute towards operational readiness for implementation of aged care worker screening.</li> <li>• List of any outstanding deliverables with scheduled completion dates</li> </ul>	<p>No later than 31/12/2024</p>	<p>50 % payment in accordance with Table 1.  Payment made following receipt of mid-point report.</p>
	<p>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.</p>	<p>31/07/2025</p>	<p>Nil.</p>

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  
State of South Australia by



**The Honourable Nat Cook MP**  
Minister for Human Services, Minister for Seniors and  
Ageing Well

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