

Aged Care Worker Screening – Preparatory Support - Victoria

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – HEALTH

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule

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| Parties | Commonwealth Victoria |
| Duration | This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2025 or upon completion with the provision of the final report. |
| Purpose | <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 Victoria, funding will be used for the following bodies of work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policy and legislative reform to support the development of national worker screening checks for aged care, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ state-based legislation drafting review ○ legal advice for database design and operational processes ○ review/settling operational templates ○ general statutory interpretation queries and website content review • technical requirements for database development, including testing, project management, front-end web application development/changes through Service Victoria, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ project management support ○ planning, implementation and delivery of Aged Care Worker Screening Scheme integrations ○ develop, implement and maintain risk and governance systems and related policies and strategies to support the |

| | <div>delivery of Aged Care Worker Screening Scheme application and screening solutions</div> <div><div><div>○</div><div>conduct assurance testing in collaboration with relevant stakeholders</div></div><div><div>○</div><div>triage defects and collate with existing support and development teams to resolve issues.</div></div></div> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------------|--|--|------|---------|-------|------------------------|------------|------------|--|------------|------------|---|------|------|
| Estimated financial contributions | <div>The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to Victoria of \$952,981 in respect of this Schedule.</div> <div><table><tr><th colspan="3">Table 1</th></tr><tr><th>(\$)</th><th>2024-25</th><th>Total</th></tr><tr><td>Estimated total budget</td><td>952,981.00</td><td>952,981.00</td></tr><tr><td>Less estimated National Partnership Payments</td><td>952,981.00</td><td>952,981.00</td></tr><tr><td>Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions</td><td>0.00</td><td>0.00</td></tr></table></div> | Table 1 | | | (\$) | 2024-25 | Total | Estimated total budget | 952,981.00 | 952,981.00 | Less estimated National Partnership Payments | 952,981.00 | 952,981.00 | Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions | 0.00 | 0.00 |
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| Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions | 0.00 | 0.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Additional terms | <div>The Parties agree funding can be used for travel and accommodation for one Victorian officer to participate in two in-person Aged Care Worker Screening workshops to implement the national aged care worker screening process.</div> <div>The Parties acknowledge Victoria 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.</div> <div>The Parties acknowledge that this funding is provided on the basis of Victoria’s in-principle agreement to deliver aged care worker screening, which is subject to execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement.</div> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary | | | |
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| 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 prescribed in Table 1 of the Schedule. | 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. | 30/08/2024 | 50 % payment in accordance with Table 1. |
| | Milestone 2: Provision of status report clearly detailing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • List of any outstanding deliverables with scheduled completion dates | No later than 31/12/2024 | 50 % payment in accordance with Table 1. 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

[Day] [Month] [Year]

Signed for and on behalf of the
State of Victoria by



The Honourable Natalie Hutchins MP
Minister for Government Services, Minister for
Treaty and First Peoples, Minister for Prevention of
Family Violence, Minister for Women

3 / 04 / 2025