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AND
APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 4) 2022–2023

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The Health and Aged Care Portfolio acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.



The Hon Mark Butler MP
Minister for Health and Aged Care

President of the Senate
Australian Senate
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Speaker
House of Representatives
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear President

Dear Mr Speaker

I hereby submit these Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements in support of the additional appropriations sought for the Health and Aged Care Portfolio, through Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2022–2023 and Appropriation Bill (No.4) 2022–2023.

These statements have been developed, and are submitted to the Parliament, as a statement on the funding requirements being sought for the Portfolio.

I present these statements by virtue of my ministerial responsibility for accountability to the Parliament and, through it, the public.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Mark Butler'.

Mark Butler

Abbreviations and conventions

The following notations may be used:

NEC/nec	not elsewhere classified
-	nil
..	not zero, but rounded to zero
na	not applicable (unless otherwise specified)
nfp	not for publication
\$m	\$ million

Figures in tables and in the text may be rounded. Figures in text are generally rounded to one decimal place, whereas figures in tables are generally rounded to the nearest thousand. Discrepancies in tables between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

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**User Guide
to the
Portfolio Additional Estimates
Statements**

User Guide

The purpose of the 2022–23 Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements (PAES) is to inform Senators, Members of Parliament and the public of the proposed allocation of additional resources to government outcomes by entities within the portfolio.

The PAES facilitate understanding of the proposed appropriations in Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2022–2023 and Appropriation Bill (No. 4) 2022–2023. In this sense the PAES is declared by the Appropriation Acts to be a ‘relevant document’ to the interpretation of the Acts according to section 15AB of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*.

Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2022–2023, which follows on from *Appropriation Act (No.1) 2022–2023* tabled at Budget, will provide additional expenditure authority for the ordinary annual services of government in respect of the 2022–2023 financial year.

Appropriation Bill (No. 4) 2022–2023, which follows on from *Appropriation Act (No. 2) 2022–2023* tabled at Budget, will provide additional expenditure authority in respect of the 2022–2023 financial year for capital works and services, payments to or for the states, territories and local government authorities, and new administered outcomes not authorised in specific legislation.

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Department of Health and Aged Care

Overview of additional appropriations

The Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements includes new measures and variations since the 2022–23 October Budget. The measures predominately relate to continuing and transitioning COVID-19 response measures to align with the current COVID-19 situation, while provisioning for an uplift should this be required. This includes additional appropriations for: a phased transition of the National COVID-19 Vaccine Program to a more sustainable, business as usual ongoing model; support to home care and residential aged care providers to better manage outbreaks; ceasing short-term models of General Practitioner-led Respiratory Clinics and implementing a scalable approach that is responsive to new risks as they emerge; scaling-down the in-reach COVID-19 pathology testing for residential aged care and extending the measure to retain capacity to rapidly deploy polymerase chain reaction (PCR) testing resources for outbreaks and prepare for a return to regular aged care pathology testing processes; and ensuring the National Medical Stockpile can continue to provide COVID-19 treatments and medical supplies. These measures reflect current COVID-19 response requirements and ensure the health system can respond to future COVID-19 waves.

The following tables detail changes to the resourcing for the Department of Health and Aged Care at Additional Estimates, since the 2022–23 October Budget.

Entity measures table

Table 1.1 summarises new Government measures taken since the 2022–23 October Budget. The table is split into receipt and payment measures, with the affected program identified.

Table 1.1: Department of Health and Aged Care 2022–23 additional estimates measures

	Outcome/ Program	2022–23 \$'000	2023–24 \$'000	2024–25 \$'000	2025–26 \$'000
COVID-19 Aged Care Response ^(a)					
Department of Health and Aged Care					
Administered payments	2.1	19,200	10,000	-	-
	3.3	181,821	324,946	-	-
Departmental payments	2	167	163	-	-
	3	10,158	12,785	-	-
Departmental capital payments	3	434	217	-	-
Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission					
Departmental payments		3,146	3,092	-	-
Total payments		214,926	351,203	-	-
COVID-19 Response ^{(a) (b)}					
Department of Health and Aged Care					
Administered payments	1.1	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
	1.3	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
	1.6	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-
	1.8	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>
	2.3	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
	3.3	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
Departmental payments	1	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>
	2	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
Departmental capital payments	1	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
Australian Digital Health Agency					
Departmental payments		2,866	-	-	-
Total payments		2,866	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>
Improving Aged Care Support ^(a)					
Department of Health and Aged Care					
Departmental payments	3	886	2,062	1,610	1,033
Total payments		886	2,062	1,610	1,033
Medicare Urgent Care Clinics - additional funding ^(a)					
Department of Health and Aged Care					
Administered payments	1.6	12,147	32,432	31,428	33,310
Total payments		12,147	32,432	31,428	33,310

Table 1.1: Department of Health and Aged Care 2022–23 additional estimates measures (continued)

	Outcome/ Program	2022–23 \$'000	2023–24 \$'000	2024–25 \$'000	2025–26 \$'000
National Medical Stockpile ^(a)					
Department of Health and Aged Care					
Departmental payments	1	700	722	-	-
Total payments		700	722	-	-
Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) New and Amended Listings ^(a)					
Department of Health and Aged Care					
Administered payments	2.3	430	1,317	1,207	1,330
Total payments		430	1,317	1,207	1,330
Reducing Patient Costs and Improving Services through Community Pharmacies ^(a)					
Department of Health and Aged Care					
Departmental payments	2	67	984	-	-
Total payments		67	984	-	-
Strengthening Medicare ^(a)					
Department of Health and Aged Care					
Departmental payments	1	163	758	-	-
Total payments		163	758	-	-
Other Portfolio Measures					
Better, Safer Future for Central Australia Plan ^{(a) (c)}					
<i>Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet</i>					
Department of Health and Aged Care					
Departmental payments	1	42	14	7	-
Total payments		42	14	7	-
Visa and Migration System ^{(a) (d)}					
<i>Department of Home Affairs</i>					
Department of Health and Aged Care					
Administered payments	2.2	1	27	102	225
Total payments		1	27	102	225

Prepared on a Government Financial Statistics (Underlying Cash) basis. Figures displayed as a negative (-) represent a decrease in funds and a positive (+) represent an increase in funds.

^(a) Measure relates to a decision made post 2022–23 October Budget. Health Portfolio impacts only are shown in this table. Full details of this measure are published under Table 1.2: Department of Health and Aged Care 2023–24 Budget measures.

^(b) Includes the impact of measures that are not for publication due to commercial sensitivities (nfp).

^(c) The lead entity for this measure is the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet. The full measure description and package details appear in 2023–24 Budget under the Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio.

^(d) The lead entity for this measure is the Department of Home Affairs. The full measure description and package details appear in 2023–24 Budget under the Home Affairs Portfolio.

Additional estimates and variations

The following table details the changes to the resourcing for the Department of Health and Aged Care at Additional Estimates, by outcome. The following table details the estimates and variations resulting from new measures and any other variations (if applicable) since the 2022–23 October Budget in Appropriation Bills (No. 3 and No. 4).

Table 1.2: Additional estimates and variations to outcomes from measures and other variations

	2022–23 \$'000	2023–24 \$'000	2024–25 \$'000	2025–26 \$'000
Program 1.1: Health Research, Coordination and Access				
Changes to administered appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Response	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
Changes to departmental appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Response	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
Appropriation Bill (No. 4)				
Measure - COVID-19 Response	<i>nfp</i>	-	-	-
	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
Program 1.2: Mental Health				
Changes to administered appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Support for Community Sector Organisations - reallocation of funds	8,600	8,352	8,345	8,341
	8,600	8,352	8,345	8,341
Program 1.3: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health				
Changes to administered appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Response	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
Changes to departmental appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Response	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
Measure - Better, Safer Future for Central Australia Plan	42	14	7	-
	42	14	7	-
Program 1.4: Health Workforce				
Changes to departmental appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - Strengthening Medicare	163	758	-	-
	163	758	-	-

Table 1.2: Additional estimates and variations to outcomes from measures and other variations (continued)

	2022–23 \$'000	2023–24 \$'000	2024–25 \$'000	2025–26 \$'000
Program 1.5: Preventive Health and Chronic Disease Support				
Changes to administered appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Support for Community Sector Organisations - reallocation of funds	3,424	3,330	3,328	3,326
	3,424	3,330	3,328	3,326
Program 1.6: Primary Health Care Quality and Coordination				
Changes to administered appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Response	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-
Measure - Medicare Urgent Care Clinics - additional funding	12,147	32,432	31,428	33,310
Support for Community Sector Organisations - reallocation of funds	634	1,004	1,004	1,004
Changes to departmental appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Response	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
Palliative Care Services Navigation Pilot - reclassification from administered funding	100	100	30	-
	12,881	33,536	32,462	34,314
Program 1.8: Health Protection, Emergency Response and Regulation				
Changes to administered appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Response	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>
COVID-19 Vaccines	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
Transition of the National Medical Stockpile reclassification of funding	142,686	-	-	-
Changes to departmental appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Response	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>
Measure - National Medical Stockpile	700	722	-	-
Appropriation Bill (No. 4)				
Measure - COVID-19 Response	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
National Occupations Respiratory Disease Registry - reclassification of funding	2,400	-	-	-
	145,786	722	-	-

Table 1.2: Additional estimates and variations to outcomes from measures and other variations (continued)

	2022–23 \$'000	2023–24 \$'000	2024–25 \$'000	2025–26 \$'000
Program 2.1: Medical Benefits				
Changes to administered appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Aged Care Response	19,200	10,000	-	-
Changes to departmental appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Aged Care Response	167	163	-	-
	19,367	10,163	-	-
Program 2.2: Hearing Services				
Changes to administered appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - Visa and Migration System	1	27	102	225
Hearing Services Program - variation to reflect demand	804	1,448	2,010	2,416
	805	1,475	2,112	2,641
Program 2.3: Pharmaceutical Benefits				
Changes to administered appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Response	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
Measure - Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) New and Amended Listings	430	1,317	1,207	1,330
Changes to departmental appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Response	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
Measure - Reducing Patient Costs and Improving Services through Community Pharmacies	67	984	-	-
	497	2,301	1,207	1,330

Table 1.2: Additional estimates and variations to outcomes from measures and other variations (continued)

	2022-23 \$'000	2023-24 \$'000	2024-25 \$'000	2025-26 \$'000
Program 3.3: Aged Care Quality				
Changes to administered appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Aged Care Response	181,821	324,946	-	-
Measure - COVID-19 Response	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-	-
Changes to departmental appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Aged Care Response	10,158	12,785	-	-
Measure - Improving Aged Care Support	886	2,062	1,610	1,033
Appropriation Bill (No. 4)				
Measure - COVID-19 Aged Care Response	434	217	-	-
	193,299	340,010	1,610	1,033

The following tables detail the Additional Estimates sought for the Department of Health and Aged Care through Appropriation Bills (No. 3 and No. 4).

Table 1.3: Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2022–2023

	2021–22 Available ^(a) \$'000	2022–23 Budget \$'000	2022–23 Revised \$'000	Additional Estimates \$'000	Reduced Estimates \$'000
Administered					
Outcome 1					
Health Policy, Access and Support	11,827,245	10,595,802	11,039,573	443,771	-
Outcome 2					
Individual Health Benefits	1,752,058	1,633,143	1,821,084	187,941	-
Outcome 3					
Ageing and Aged Care	5,184,161	6,260,027	6,444,091	184,064	-
Outcome 4					
Sport and Recreation	112,863	166,669	166,669	-	-
Total administered	18,876,327	18,655,641	19,471,417	815,776	-
Departmental					
Outcome 1					
Health Policy, Access and Support	569,040	485,421	538,515	53,094	-
Outcome 2					
Individual Health Benefits	194,723	150,289	151,242	953	-
Outcome 3					
Ageing and Aged Care	268,659	350,691	361,735	11,044	-
Outcome 4					
Sport and Recreation	13,430	10,780	10,780	-	-
Total departmental	1,045,852	997,181	1,062,272	65,091	-
Total appropriation administered and departmental Bill (No. 3)	19,922,179	19,652,822	20,533,689	880,867	-

^(a) 2021–22 available appropriation is included to allow a comparison of this year's appropriation with what was made available for use in the previous year. Available appropriation is the amount available to be drawn down, and is equal to: Budget Appropriation + Additional Estimates Appropriation + Advance to the Finance Minister - section 51 withholdings - administrative quarantines +/- Machinery of Government transfers.

Table 1.4: Appropriation Bill (No. 4) 2022–2023

	2021–22 Available ^(a) \$'000	2022–23 Budget \$'000	2022–23 Revised \$'000	Additional Estimates \$'000	Reduced Estimates \$'000
Non-operating					
Equity injections	114,781	169,891	180,271	10,380	-
Administered assets and liabilities	1,623,862	1,006,137	1,006,137	-	-
Total non-operating	1,738,643	1,176,028	1,186,408	10,380	-
Total appropriation administered and departmental Bill (No. 4)	1,738,643	1,176,028	1,186,408	10,380	-

^(a) 2021–22 available appropriation is included to allow a comparison of this year's appropriation with what was made available for use in the previous year. Available appropriation is the amount available to be drawn down, and is equal to: Budget Appropriation + Additional Estimates Appropriation + Advance to the Finance Minister - section 51 withholdings - administrative quarantines +/- Machinery of Government transfers.

Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission

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Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission

Overview of additional appropriations

The funding will enable the Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission (the Commission) to provide increased regulatory oversight and support capability building of sector Infection Prevention Control (IPC). This includes the recruitment of additional regulatory operational staff, establishing and facilitating an IPC Lead Community of Practice, targeted in-service education and providing sector education and communications.

For a full outline of the ACQSC's Strategic Direction, refer page 130 of the *Health and Aged Care Portfolio Budget Statements* October Budget 2022–23.

Entity measures table

Table 1.1 summarises new Government measures taken since the 2022–23 October Budget. The table is split into receipt and payment measures, with the affected program identified.

Table 1.1: Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission 2022–23 additional estimates measures

Program	2022–23 \$'000	2023–24 \$'000	2024–25 \$'000	2025–26 \$'000
COVID-19 Aged Care Response ^{(a) (b)}				
Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission				
Departmental payments 1.1	3,146	3,092	-	-
Total payments	3,146	3,092	-	-

Prepared on a Government Financial Statistics (Underlying Cash) basis. Figures displayed as a negative (-) represent a decrease in funds and a positive (+) represent an increase in funds.

^(a) ACQSC is not the lead entity for this measure. ACQSC impacts only are shown in this table.

^(b) Measure relates to a decision made post 2022–23 October Budget.

Additional estimates and variations

The following table details the changes to the resourcing for the Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission at Additional Estimates, by outcome. The following table details the estimates and variations resulting from new measures and any other variations (if applicable) since the 2022–23 October Budget in Appropriation Bills (No. 3 and No. 4).

Table 1.2: Additional estimates and variations to outcomes from measures and other variations

	2022–23 \$'000	2023–24 \$'000	2024–25 \$'000	2025–26 \$'000
Program 1.1: Quality Aged Care Services				
Changes to departmental appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure - COVID-19 Aged Care Response	3,146	3,092	-	-
Total	3,146	3,092	-	-

The following tables detail the Additional Estimates sought for the Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission through Appropriation Bills (No. 3 and No. 4).

Table 1.3: Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2022–2023

	2021–22 Available ^(a) \$'000	2022–23 Budget \$'000	2022–23 Revised \$'000	Additional Estimates \$'000	Reduced Estimates \$'000
Departmental					
Outcome 1					
Protect and enhance the safety, health, wellbeing and quality of life of aged care consumers, including through effective engagement with them, regulation and education of Commonwealth-funded aged care service providers and resolution of aged care complaints	184,295	203,603	206,749	3,146	-
Total Appropriation Bill (No. 3) departmental	184,295	203,603	206,749	3,146	-

^(a) The 2021–22 available appropriation is included to allow a comparison of this year's appropriation with what was made available for use in the previous year. Available appropriation is the amount available to be drawn down, and is equal to: Budget Appropriation + Additional Estimates Appropriation + Advance to the Finance Minister - section 51 withholdings - administrative quarantines +/- Machinery of Government transfers.

Table 1.4: Appropriation Bill (No. 4) 2022–2023

This section is not applicable to ACQSC.

Australian Digital Health Agency

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Australian Digital Health Agency

Overview of additional appropriations

The additional appropriation is provided to the Australian Digital Health Agency to undertake COVID-19 Response work post the 2022–23 October Budget. Refer to Table 1.1 for further information.

For a full outline of the Agency's Strategic Direction, refer page 168 of the *Health and Aged Care Portfolio Budget Statements* October Budget 2022–23.

Entity measures table

Table 1.1 summarises new Government measures taken since the 2022–23 October Budget. The table is split into receipt and payment measures, with the affected program identified.

Table 1.1: Australian Digital Health Agency 2022–23 additional estimates measures

	Program	2022–23 \$'000	2023–24 \$'000	2024–25 \$'000	2025–26 \$'000
COVID-19 Response ^{(a) (b)}					
Australian Digital Health Agency					
Departmental payments	1.1	2,866	-	-	-
Total payments		2,866	-	-	-

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^(a) Australian Digital Health Agency (the Agency) is not the lead entity for this measure. The Agency impacts only are shown in this table.

^(b) Measure relates to a decision made post 2022–23 October Budget.

Additional estimates and variations

The following table details the changes to the resourcing for the Australian Digital Health Agency at Additional Estimates, by outcome. The following table details the estimates and variations resulting from new measures and any other variations (if applicable) since the 2022–23 October Budget in Appropriation Bills (No. 3 and No. 4).

Table 1.2: Additional estimates and variations to outcomes from measures and other variations

	2022–23 \$'000	2023–24 \$'000	2024–25 \$'000	2025–26 \$'000
Program 1.1: Digital Health				
Changes to departmental appropriations				
Appropriation Bill (No. 3)				
Measure – COVID-19 Response	2,866	-	-	-
Total	2,866	-	-	-

The following tables detail the Additional Estimates sought for Australian Digital Health Agency through Appropriation Bills (No. 3 and No. 4).

Table 1.3: Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2022–2023

	2021–22 Available ^(a) \$'000	2022–23 Budget \$'000	2022–23 Revised \$'000	Additional Estimates \$'000	Reduced Estimates \$'000
Departmental					
Outcome 1					
To deliver national digital healthcare systems to enable and support improvement in health outcomes for Australians	223,345	208,259	211,125	2,866	-
Total Appropriation Bill (No. 3) departmental	223,345	208,259	211,125	2,866	-

^(a) The 2021–22 available appropriation is included to allow a comparison of this year's appropriation with what was made available for use in the previous year. Available appropriation is the amount available to be drawn down, and is equal to: Budget Appropriation + Additional Estimates Appropriation + Advance to the Finance Minister - section 51 withholdings - administrative quarantines +/- Machinery of Government transfers.

Table 1.4: Appropriation Bill (No. 4) 2022–2023

This table is not applicable to the Australian Digital Health Agency.

