L to R: Peter (volunteer) with Jack (recipient).

Aged Care Volunteer Visitors Scheme

The program supports regular volunteer visits to give friendship and companionship to older people.

Visits are available to those receiving government-subsidised residential aged care or a

Home Care Package (HCP). This includes recipients approved or on the National Priority System.

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# About the Aged Care Volunteer Visitors Scheme (ACVVS)

We want volunteers to be supported in their essential role in the aged care system, supporting older people to live meaningful lives and building social connections that prevent social isolation and loneliness.

The ACVVS:

* funds volunteering organisations to recruit, train and support volunteers to provide friendship and companionship to

older people

* complements services given to those in an aged care home or with a Home Care Package (HCP)
* provides standardised training resources for volunteer onboarding and continual learning
* encourages new volunteers to join this meaningful and important program.

*“Peter to me, is a godsend. Without his being here I would find it much more difficult to get on and I really look forward to his coming each week.”*

*– Jack, recipient*


# Referring an older person or becoming a volunteer

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or want to access this service, please contact your state or territory Network Member by scanning the QR code or visiting [health.gov.au/our-work/](health.gov.au/our-work/aged-care-volunteer-visitors-scheme-acvvs/contacts)

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