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An elderly couple, a man and a woman, are shown in profile, smiling and looking at a tablet held by the man. They are in a home setting with warm lighting and blurred background elements like a lamp and shelves. The man is wearing glasses and a brown jacket, while the woman is wearing a brown sweater over a yellow collared shirt.

# WELCOME

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First Assistant Secretary

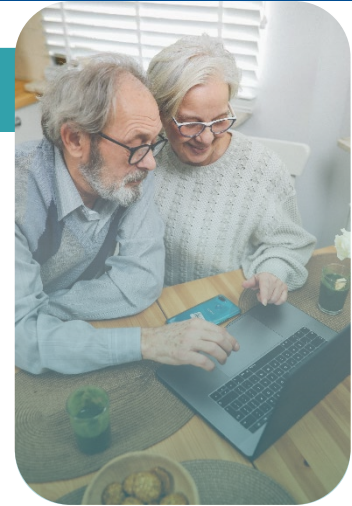
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Digital transformation for the aged care sector

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# State of Play

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# Open co-design activities

Initiative

Monthly Care Statements (MCS): Digital Solutions Consultation

New Aged Care Act: Aged Care Design Research

Aged Care Data & Digital Strategy Action Plan: Feedback

B2G: API Co-Design

B2G: Software Vendor Testing

Foundational

Design thinking

Lean start up

Agile

SP: Digital Transformation Roadmap Redesign

Business Verification Testing (BVT) Register

Journey Mapping

Hot Topic Segment



DIGITISED focus (UX)



AUTOMATED focus (API)

Evergreen

Open

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On today's agenda

## Tech Talk



The screenshot shows the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care website. At the top left is the Australian Government crest and the text "Australian Government" and "Department of Health and Aged Care". Below this are navigation links: "Home", "Topics", "Our work", and "Resources". A breadcrumb trail reads "Home > Resources > Webinars". The main heading is "Digital Transformation Tech Talk – 27 August 2024". Below the heading is a short paragraph: "This Tech Talk brings you the latest updates from our digital transformation program as we prepare for our upcoming October release." Further down, there are details for the audience ("Health sector"), the webinar date ("Tuesday, August 27 2024 2:00 pm AEST to 3:00pm AEST"), and the webinar link ("Register"). At the bottom is a promotional image for the "Aged Care Digital Transformation Tech Talk Webinar Series" showing two elderly people looking at a laptop.

## Guest Speaker Series



The ACCOPA logo features the acronym "ACCOPA" in large white letters with a cluster of orange dots to its right. Below it, the full name "Aged & Community Care Providers Association" is written in smaller white text. The main text of the graphic reads "Aged & Community Care Providers Association" in large white font, with the website "accpa.asn.au" below it.



# Development of Digital Solutions for Monthly Care Statements

**Steve Marrinan**

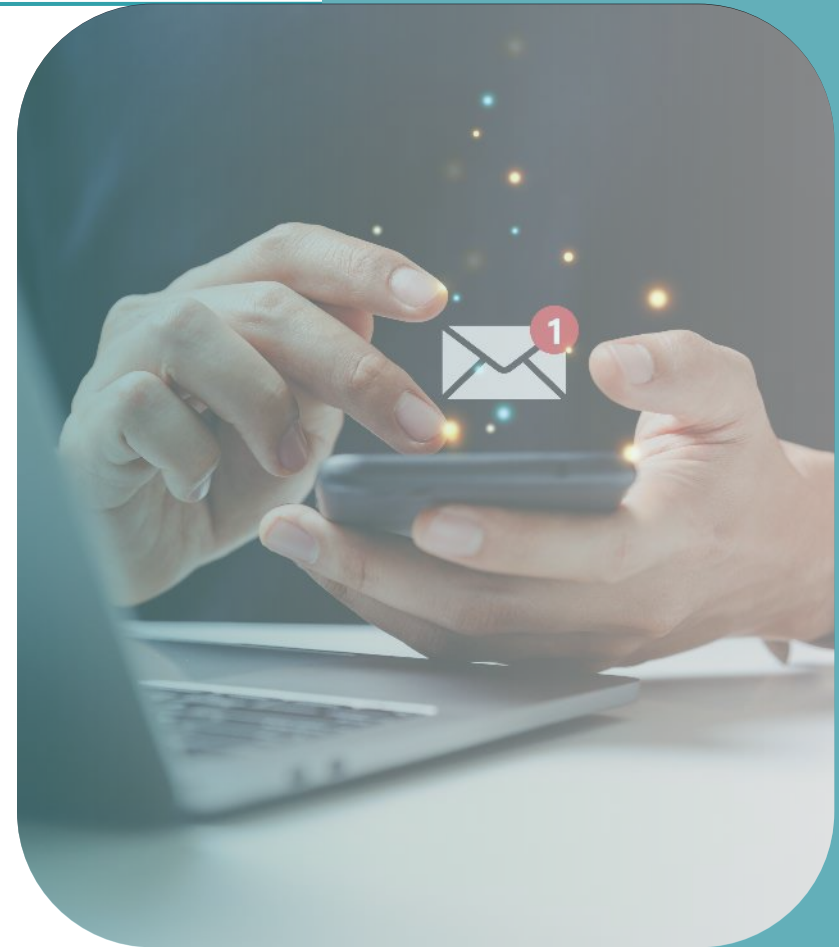
Partner

Liquid Interactive (*departmental Project Partner*)



# Project overview

- Liquid has been engaged by the Department to facilitate the development of digital solutions to automate the generation of Monthly Care Statements (MCS).
- We are conducting a pilot to support the development of digital solutions that reduce the administrative burden of the Monthly Care Statements.





# Background

- The Australian Government has committed to requiring residential aged care providers to issue individualised Monthly Care Statements.
- MCS will detail the care provided to residents over the previous month and any changes in their health status.
- This initiative aims to provide transparency and encourage discussions about care planning.



## Key findings and recommendations from previous research

Conducted by Nous in 2023, a pilot focused on assessing the value and feasibility of Monthly Care Statements (MCS) for aged care residents.

- **Tracking Care:** Residents found the statements helpful in keeping track of the care they received.
- **Future Planning:** The statements served as a useful reference point for residents' future care planning.
- **Improved Communication:** Sharing statements with family members improved communication about their care, fostering better understanding and engagement.



## Key findings and recommendations from previous research

The recommendations from the Nous report were as follows:

- **Voluntary Adjustment Period:** A voluntary period was recommended to allow aged care providers time to adjust to the new requirements of preparing MCS.
- **Digital Automation:** The pilot strongly recommended the development of a digital solution to automate the generation of these statements, reducing the administrative burden on providers.



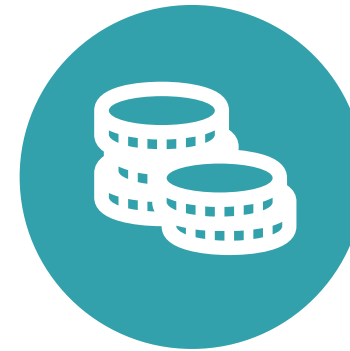
# Objectives of our project

## Pilot Digital Solutions



To pilot digital solutions that reduce the administrative burden of the Monthly Care Statements.

## Gather Feedback



To gather feedback from aged care providers, residents, and software vendors on the MCS.



# Project Timings and Key Milestones

## Recruitment Phase

August –  
September 2024

### Getting started

Recruiting participants, including residential aged care providers and clinical management software vendors.

## Co-design Phase

September –  
November 2024

### Understanding your needs

Collaborative co-design of digital solutions involving residents, providers, and vendors to ensure that all stakeholder needs are met.

## Development and Preparation

December 2024 –  
January 2025

### Designing the solution

Finalising the digital solutions based on co-design feedback and preparing for the trial phase.

## Trial Reporting

February – April  
2025

### Evaluating impact

Conducting the trial reporting using the developed solutions and gathering data to assess effectiveness, readiness for broader implementation and opportunities for capability uplift.

# Get involved

Participate in the pilot program

## Why Participate?

- Providers will help shape the future functionality of digital MCS solutions.
- Residents will have a voice in the design process, ensuring the solutions meet their needs.
- Software vendors will have an opportunity to get in early to develop functionality that can automate care statements



## How to participate

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### **Complete the EOI Form**

Scan the QR code to complete a short EOI form.

2

### **Co-design the solution**

Contribute to the co-design process from September to November 2024.

3

### **Trial the solution**

Engage in the trial reporting phase between January and April 2025.



Or email us at:

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# Piloting Artificial Intelligence (AI), Augmented Reality (AR) & Virtual Reality (VR) in Aged Care

**Kristy Harper**

Growth & Innovation Manager  
ILA (*departmental Project Partner*)







# Ageing Well Through Digital Innovation

Action Plan

Kristy Harper, Growth and  
Innovation Manager at iLA.





## Our initiatives

- AT Chat for people with disability
- KeepAble for home care providers
- Village Hubs to alleviate loneliness & social isolation
- Regional Assessment Services
- LiveUp for older people

## Our impact

- People have access to information to maintain or increase their independence
- People have increased agency over their day-to-day life choices
- People can build meaningful connections

iLA is a delivery partner in the implementation of the **Aged Care Data and Digital Strategy (2024 – 2029)**, delivering:

1. Healthy ageing support tool – LiveUp™
2. Wellness and reablement tool – KeepAble™
3. AI technology pilots in aged care
4. Virtual reality trials in aged care





#### OUTCOME 4



## Artificial intelligence technology pilots in aged care

Multiple pilots would explore the potential of an AI-supported process to streamline data capture and look at ways to harness AI in aged care.

### What we're going to do:

Develop a number of pilots, including one that will:

- design a technology application and process
- pilot with up to 20 health professionals
- report on the system metrics and responses highlighting any improvements and opportunities, including the possibility of a larger scale trial with aged care workers.

### Why we're doing this:

To explore the potential of AI in providing better information and improve aged care services.

### Who will lead it:

The Department of Health and Aged Care

### Who we'll partner with:

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Independent Living Assessment

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Health professionals

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Technology vendors

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Service providers

## Project Milestones

1. Project Preparation
  - Desktop research ✓
  - Content development ✓
  - Vendor selection ✓
2. Phase 1
  - Testing 1
  - Testing 2
  - Pilot
  - Pilot review





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## Virtual reality trials in aged care

Multiple trials would explore the potential of virtual reality to improve aged care service delivery.

### What we're going to do:

Develop a number of pilots, including one that will:

- design an educational platform for assisted technology
- engage 20 occupational therapists to trial virtual reality
- evaluate the trial and report on findings and recommendations to use virtual reality for other purposes across aged care.

### Why we're doing this:

The trials aim to improve understanding of the practical application and effectiveness of virtual reality in aged care.

### Who will lead it:

The Department of Health and Aged Care

### Who we'll partner with:

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Independent Living Assessment

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Occupational therapists

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Service providers

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Technology vendors

## Project Milestones

1. Project Preparation
  - Desktop research ✓
  - Content development ✓
  - Vendor selection ✓
2. Augmented reality
  - Development, testing, pilot, pilot evaluation
3. Virtual reality
  - Development, testing, pilot, pilot evaluation



# Q&A

## Have a question?

Put your virtual hand up to ask your question directly to our presenters or use the chat space.



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# THANK YOU

**NEXT MEETING:**

11:30am, Friday 13 September  [DTSectorPartners.health.gov.au](mailto:DTSectorPartners.health.gov.au)