Opportunities for nurses specialising in aged care

Nurses play an integral role in providing high quality care for older people.

# Clinical Placements Program

Supporting Diploma, Bachelor and Master of Nursing students with high-quality clinical placements in the care and support sector, including aged care.

‘These opportunities aim to enable nurses to develop their careers in the aged care sector.’

Professor Alison McMillian, Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officer, Department of Health and Aged Care

# Transition to Practice Program

Supporting nurses with training and professional development in their first two years of clinical practice in aged care. Participants will receive:

* specialist training in aged care and gerontological nursing
* mentorship from senior aged care nurses.

# Scholarships

Available for nurses and aged care workers to gain qualifications and improve their expertise in caring for older people.

# Award wage increase for nurses working in aged care

Aged care nurses are benefitting from award wage increases, recognising the valuable role nurses play in aged care. The increases are being implemented on 1 March 2025, 1 October 2025 and 1 August 2026, building on the previous award wage increase in 2023.

Learn more about career opportunities and better and fairer wages for aged care nurses at:



[health.gov.au/topics/aged-care-workforce/opportunities-for-nurses](https://www.health.gov.au/topics/aged-care-workforce/opportunities-for-nurses)

[health.gov.au/topics/aged-care-workforce/what-were-doing/better-and-fairer-wages](https://www.health.gov.au/topics/aged-care-workforce/what-were-doing/better-and-fairer-wages)