

Workforce initiatives

We are raising the quality of aged care through programs and initiatives that build, train and support the workforce.

Program	Details	Enquiries and more information	
Aged Care Nursing Clinical Placements Program	High-quality clinical placements for nursing students	clinicalplacementsp@health.gov.au health.gov.au/our-work/aged-care-nursing- clinical-placements-program	
Regional, Rural and Remote Home Care Workforce Support Program	Supporting providers to grow their home care workforce in regional, rural and remote locations	ACWorkforcePrograms@health.gov.au health.gov.au/our-work/home-care-workforce- support-program	
Aged Care Scholarships	Scholarships to support workers and nurses to gain qualifications and improve their expertise in caring for older people	scholarships@acn.edu.au acn.edu.au/scholarships	
Aged Care Transition to Practice Program	Providing new aged care nurses with mentoring, training and support	ACWorkforcePrograms@health.gov.au health.gov.au/our-work/aged-care-transition-to- practice-program	

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Equip Aged Care Learning Packages	A series of short online learning modules covering a range of topics relevant to anyone working in aged care	equiplearning@utas.edu.au equiplearning.utas.edu.au	
Rural Locum Assistance Program (Rural LAP) Aged Care	Access to a temporary locum workforce while staff take leave, continuing professional development, or recruitment is undertaken	enquiries@rurallap.com.au rurallap.com.au/aged-care-faqs/	
	An incentive scheme for permanent placements to increase staff retention		
Business, Industry and Regional Outreach (BIRO) Program	Provides information to help businesses understand visa pathways for workers	immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/employing-and- sponsoring-someone/business-industry-and- regional-outreach	

Learn more about how we are supporting the aged care workforce

- Connect with your local state or territory office: ACWorkforceChampion@health.gov.au
- Stay up to date on the latest news and information specifically for workers. Subscribe to *Working in Aged Care Update*, our newsletter for aged care workforce.
 - health.gov.au/aged-care-newsletter-subscribe
- Find out about career opportunities and various pathways to work in aged care
 - health.gov.au/topics/aged-care-workforce

Improving Australia's aged care system

The Australian Government has delivered major changes to improve aged care.

- Visit health.gov.au/aged-care-reforms
- Phone **1800 200 422** (My Aged Care's free-call phone line)

For translating and interpreting services, call 131 450 and ask for 1800 318 209. To use the National Relay Service, visit nrschat.nrscall.gov.au/nrs to choose your preferred access point on their website, or call the NRS Helpdesk on 1800 555 660.