Aged Care Sector Committee communique, 23 March 2018

The Hon Ken Wyatt AM MP, Minister for Aged Care and Minister for Indigenous Health, addressed the Committee highlighting key work being done across the sector. Minister Wyatt talked about the establishment of the Aged Care Industry Reference Committee, the Diversity Framework and action plans and the announcement to implement unannounced audits across Australia's residential aged care facilities.

The Department provided updates about:

- Access and In Home Care;
- The Aged Care Funding Instrument (ACFI); and
- Specialist Dementia Care Units (SDCUs).

Updates were provided on the 2018 work programs of the:

- ACSC Quality Sub-group;
- ACSC Diversity Sub-group; and
- ACSC Communication and Engagement Sub-group.

The Aged Care Funding Authority (ACFA) provided an update on the ACFA 2018 work program.

Committee Members reflected on the sector achievement's in 2017 and participated in a facilitated discussion on the Committee's 2018 work priorities.

The next face to face meeting is scheduled for 6 July 2018.