

Aged Care Sector Committee – Communiqué – 17 June 2021

Members of the Aged Care Sector Committee met for the last time before the current term expires on 30 June 2021. Members discussed and reflected on the achievements of the Committee since its establishment in January 2014.

It was acknowledged that the Committee developed an ongoing collaboration and partnership between the aged care sector and the Australian Government to ensure that the needs and aspirations of older Australian were considered in the development and implementation of aged care policies and programs. Members highlighted key policy documents developed by the Committee that provided evidence based aged care policy including:

- *the Aged Care Roadmap;*
- *the Aged Care Sector Statement of Principles;*
- *the Aged Care Diversity Framework and Action Plans; and*
- *A Quality Vision for Aged Care.*

Mr Michael Lye, Deputy Secretary, Ageing and Aged Care Group, Department of Health thanked Mr David Tune for his leadership as Chair of the Aged Care Sector Committee since December 2014 and thanked members for their contribution to the Committee and to aged care in Australia.

Members received an update on the establishment of new aged care governance arrangements and noted that further advice will be provided to the aged care sector once it is available.

Members received a presentation on the Aged Care Quality Policy Framework. This Framework was endorsed by members.

No further meetings of the Aged Care Sector Committee will be held.