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SINGLE AGED CARE QUALITY FRAMEWORK S 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Issues:

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3. On 27 February 2017, you approved the commencement of public consultations in relation to the draft standards and options for improved quality assessments \$ 22(1)(a)(ii) Subsequently, on 9 March 2017 you issued a media release, signalling that the Single Quality Framework would commence from 1 July 2018.

Public Consultation Feedback

- The six week public consultation closed on Friday, 21 April 2017. In addition to a well-subscribed webinar (750 live log-ins) and attendance at forums (250 people), over 190 submissions on the draft standards and 120 submissions on options for quality assessment arrangements were received.
- 7. Overall, positive feedback was received on the draft standards, including that they are clearly expressed and achieve a consumer focus. Feedback also noted that efficiencies would come with having a single set of standards. Of the options provided in the consultation paper, there was support for a single risk-based quality assessment process for all aged care organisations.
- A report s 22(1)(a)(ii) has been prepared to 'close the loop' and feed back to sector the views and comments received during public consultation. We propose to publish this report on the Department's website and will liaise with your office regarding its release.

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