



## More Choices for a Longer Life – enhanced home care support for veterans

The Government will increase funding for aged care by \$7 billion over five years. The Government will increase the supplement paid to veterans with a mental health condition related to their service who are receiving a home care package. The supplement will be increased from 10 per cent of the level of the home care package to 11.5 per cent. The veterans' supplement is currently paid to around 180 home care recipients.

### Why is this important?

The Government is committed to supporting Australia's veterans. Increasing the veterans' supplement will help provide additional support for veterans living at home with more complex care needs, related to their service.

This increase aligns the rate paid for the veterans' supplement with the increased rate paid for the dementia and cognition supplement ensuring veterans receive the same level of support.

### Who will benefit?

An increase in the veterans' supplement will benefit veterans with a mental health condition related to their service.

### How much will this cost?

This will cost \$0.4 million from 2018–19 to 2021–22.