



More Choices for a Longer Life – further enhancing safety in aged care

The Government will increase funding for aged care by \$7 billion over five years. The Government will improve compliance in aged care by further enhancing the quality, safety and integrity of home care packages – including audits and reviews of quality and safety with providers. It will develop end-to-end compliance arrangements that will ramp up quality, safety and fraud risk protections around the rapidly expanding Home Care Packages Program.

This initiative funds the design and costing of an end-to-end compliance framework. It is central to maintaining quality, safety and integrity in aged care.

Why is this important?

The successful Commonwealth Home Care Packages Program delivers care and services to some of our most vulnerable citizens in their own homes. The quality, safety and integrity of this care needs to be monitored as rigorously as in residential aged care, with appropriate regulatory powers and consumer protections.

Consumers need to be able to check they are receiving the agreed level of services and safety and quality standards are being met.

Who will benefit?

Senior Australians receiving aged care services in their homes, and their families, will benefit from enhanced oversight of quality and safety in the delivery of their home care.

How much will this cost?

This will cost \$7.7 million from 2018–19 to 2019–20.