



## Australian Aged Care Collaboration

### **Aged care industry welcomes Council of Elders but says reform roadmap behind schedule**

The Australian Aged Care Collaboration (AACC) says the formation of the Council of Elders is an important step forward but highlights a lack of clarity about the schedule the government is on for the broader reform agenda for aged care.

The AACC agrees with the Aged Care Royal Commission that the aged care system must put older people at the centre of everything it does.

This new panel of representatives of older people will be charged with providing advice and feedback on aged care issues around the country and it is a fantastic step forward.

Unfortunately, the establishment of the council highlights that several other key recommendations of the Royal Commission are yet to be implemented or progressed.

In particular, the advisory council for industry and sector representatives is yet to be established despite the roll out of new regulations and standards.

The standard of reform required has been set by the Royal Commission. It's now up to the federal government to deliver a roadmap to achieve that standard.

### **About the Australian Aged Care Collaboration**

The AACC is a group of six aged care peak bodies: Aged & Community Services Australia (ACSA), Anglicare Australia, Baptist Care Australia, Catholic Health Australia, Leading Age Services Australia (LASA) and UnitingCare Australia. Together, the AACC represents more than 1,000 organisations who deliver 70 per cent of aged care services to 1.3 million Australians, either in their own homes or in communal residential settings.

The following representatives of the AACC are available for interview:

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