



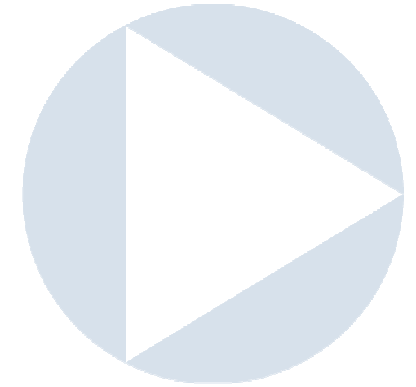
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The HACC-aged care transition





How will the HACC transition happen?

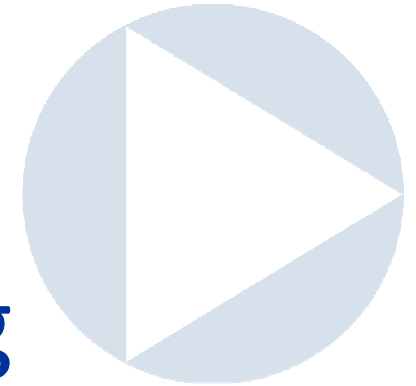
- Stage 1 started 1 July 2011: new Commonwealth-State arrangements
- Stage 2 starts 1 July 2012: direct funding from Commonwealth to service providers



Consumer eligibility

- The Commonwealth's program will assist older people and their carers
- The HACCC Program's existing special needs groups will remain

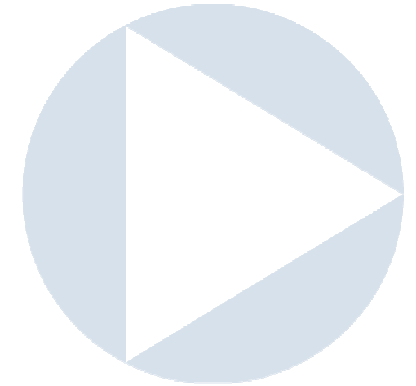




Commonwealth program funding

- Existing HACC service providers who provide services to older people
- A direct allocation process, **not** competitive tendering
- Services and projects that support and strengthen the HACC sector will be funded

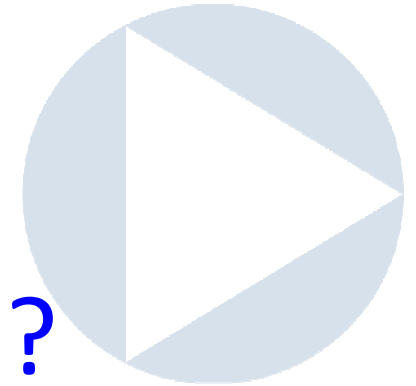




Commonwealth funding agreements

- One funding agreement for service providers
- Schedules will reflect service types
- Funding arrangements streamlined over time
- Funding conditions remain the same

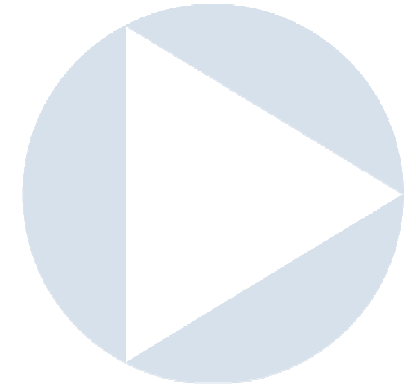




How will funds be determined?

- Funding for service delivery to older people
- Funding decisions based on MDS and current funding agreements
- Service providers will be contacted to confirm the funding allocation





Program documentation

- A new Program Manual will support the new program
- The manual will include:
 - service provider requirements
 - existing state and territory specific arrangements





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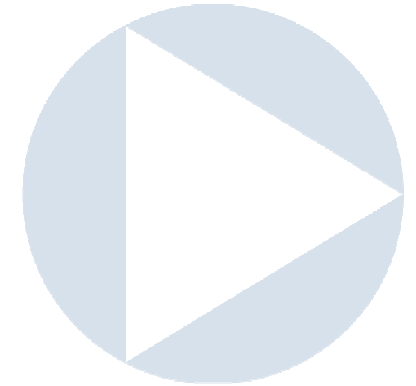
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Supporting IT infrastructure

- The Commonwealth will set up a new service provider portal
- Support provided to switch to the new system

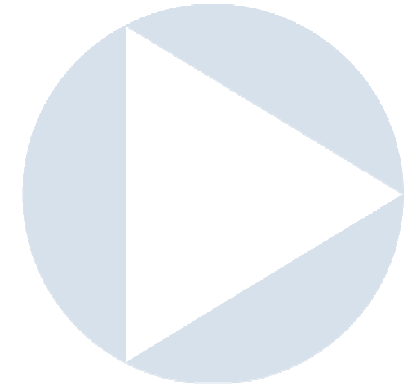




Current issues

- Growth funding and indexation
- Keeping local support
- Services with only a few clients either side of the age divide
- Carers

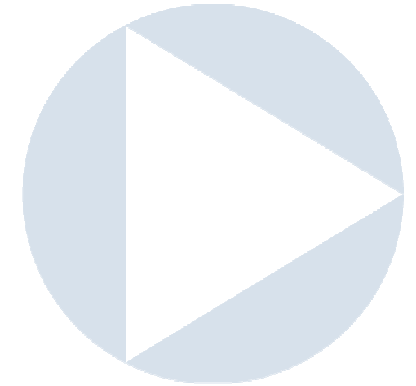




Non-output services

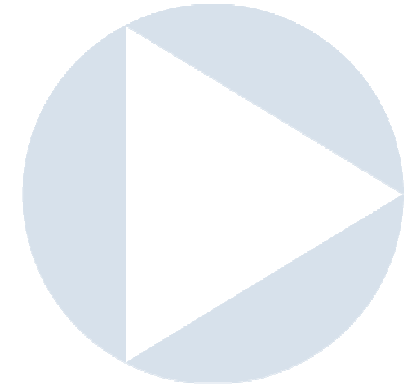
- Services not captured in the MDS
- HACCC service system development projects and activities
 - building the evidence base
 - service interventions
 - sector support and development





Funding process

- Working with the NSW government on a process to contact service providers
 - Letters of introduction
 - Letters of intent
 - Letters of offer and funding agreement



Timeline

Gathering data

Offers of funding agreements

New HACC-aged program starts

2010-11

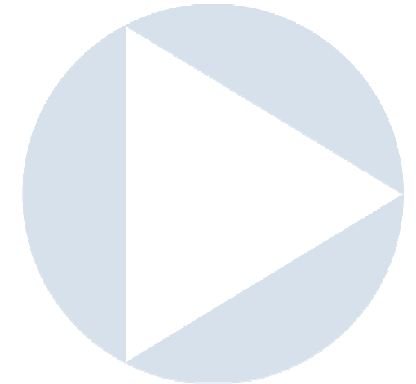
2011-12

July 2012 & beyond

Consultations

Contacting service providers

Funding agreements finalised



Where to from here?

- Make sure you:
 - Continue to meet the same requirements
 - Understand your current funding agreements
 - Wait to hear from the Department that manages your HACCC contract
 - Keep an eye on the www.yourhealth.gov.au website for more information.





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Want more information?

- Visit: www.yourhealth.gov.au
- Email: HACC.Reform@health.gov.au



Discussion questions

- What does your organisation need to do to ensure they are prepared for the transition to Commonwealth funding?
- What support does your organisation need to prepare for the transition?
- What opportunities do you see the transition creating for your organisation and the broader sector