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Aged care providers pledge on worker pay increase

Many aged care workers can expect to receive a pay rise from 1 July 2023 with the support of the federal government and their employers – Australia’s aged care providers. This increase will support aged care providers across Australia to continue to provide safe and high quality care for older people.

The Aged & Community Care Providers Association (ACCPA), Anglicare Australia, Baptist Care Australia, Catholic Health Australia, and UnitingCare Australia, support the pay rise, which is a result of the work value case put before the Fair Work Commission.

ACCPA CEO Tom Symondson welcomed the federal government’s commitment to fully fund the pay increase, and associated costs, so that aged care providers can pass on the increase to their staff in the first pay period after 1 July.

“ACCPA, Anglicare Australia, Baptist Care Australia, Catholic Health Australia, and UnitingCare Australia have also invited aged care providers across the country to make their own pledge, to pass on the additional government funding to their staff. We know that many aged care providers have already enthusiastically committed to doing this, with more pledges coming through every day,” Mr Symondson says.

“Aged care workers have been doing it tough, with severe staff shortages during a pandemic. On top of this, workers across the nation have been feeling the squeeze over this past year as a result of rising inflation, higher interest rates and a general increase in the cost of living. So, this is a much needed increase.

“We know that our workers and providers are passionate about what they do in caring for loved ones when they need care and support, this is a sign of appreciation for that commitment.”

ACCPA members are invited to sign the [members’ pledge](#) to pass on every cent of the funding to the pay increase for their staff.

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