

Dear CEO and Chair of aged care approved providers

Governing for Reform in Aged Care Program

Reforms to aged care provider governance have been given significant impetus by the recent passage of the *Aged Care and Other Legislation Amendment (Royal Commission Response) Act 2022.* This Act introduces, from December 2022, a range of requirements regarding the membership, operation and responsibilities of an approved provider's governing body.

The **Governing for Reform in Aged Care Program** (the Program) is being led by the Commission to support governing bodies and executives across the sector to understand and engage in these reforms and address issues raised by the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety. The Program provides a unique opportunity for all approved providers of residential and home care services to strengthen their corporate and clinical governance capability and improve outcomes for their consumers.

Over 2,000 governing body members and executives from approved providers have already enrolled in the Program since its launch in March this year. Strong positive feedback has been provided by participants about the multi-modal learning options available which include online modules and supporting resources, tools, webinars, workshops and podcasts.

Many new resources and learning activities have recently been added to the Program including a **new podcast series** where you can hear from leaders across the sector on contemporary issues.

If your governing body members or executive team have not yet signed up for this Program, I strongly encourage you to bring it to their attention and suggest that they enrol. They can participate as individuals or as a group if they prefer. More can be learned about the Program, including how to enrol, **here**.

Thank you for your continued efforts and dedication to providing a quality experience of aged care for everyone using your services. We look forward to working with you and your colleagues in the **Governing for Reform in Aged Care Program**, and would welcome your feedback on the learning activities.

Yours sincerely

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