$2 Million for Remote Aged Care Workforce

The Morrison Government will invest close to $2 million to boost the aged care workforce in rural and remote Australia.

The Morrison Government will provide $1.5 million over three years to support Uniting Care Australia, the lead organisation partnering to deliver the Accord on the Remote Aged Care Workforce.

In addition, the Morrison Government will invest $450,000 through Aged & Community Services Australia to work with communities to build the capacity of local aged care workforces.

The Accord will strengthen the aged care workforce and improve the quality of aged care services in remote and very remote Australia.

It will tap into the knowledge and experience of local communities and people working in aged care.

By working with local communities and understanding their needs, the Accord will create an employment and career pipeline in rural, regional and remote Australia.

It will bring together aged care organisations working in partnership with the employment, health, education and training sectors to build the aged care workforce.

Building the aged care workforce for the future is a high priority for the Morrison Government.

In addition we are allocating $2.6 million to step up industry-led implementation of the Aged Care Workforce Strategy. This will improve capability, conditions and career opportunities for more than 366,000 aged care workers.

The Morrison Government has increased funding for aged care by $7 billion over the forward estimates, up from $13.3 billion in 2012–13 to $20.5 billion in 2018–19 to $25.4 billion in 2022–23.

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