

Roy Inglis, Grant Manager, Department of Health

Notes from the presentation by Roy Inglis, Grant Manager, Department of Health to the meeting of the Network for CALD Ageing Services, held 28 February 2018.

As he was an apology for the CACN meeting he kindly permitted these notes to be read aloud to the CACN meeting in his absence.

1. Indexation payments made
2. There will be no roll-over of funds; Agreements end 30 June 2018; new contracts will be rolled out with service providers being the first priority
3. CHSP funding has been extended until July 2020; no specific funds for advocacy but sector support funding has also been extended until July 2020
4. 2016-17 Acquittal letters have gone out
5. Data Exchange has been re-opened for one month to allow updates, edits etc. This is the last time that providers will be able to change/update data. It is recommended that data is uploaded monthly; the system becomes overloaded towards the end of the reporting period so don't leave data entry until the last minute. There is a DEX helpdesk that can be accessed. DoH use the DEX to check providers. DEX now does the multiplication process. Providers and subcontractors can both see the data that is entered into the DEX
6. New common standards will be in use from 1 July 2018. This will be a single set of quality standards and will apply to all aged care services. There will be a 12 month transition; assessment against the new standards will commence on 1 July 2019.
7. MAC is funded to support CALD agencies implement the standards, develop and deliver appropriate programs/activities and help with the Quality Review process
8. All Commonwealth funding that is provided through a grant will be administered through the DSS Community Grants Hub; CHSP will now be operating under the framework of the Hub. This is for financial arrangements only; CHSP policies and programs will be administered by the Department of Health