

Southern Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island Positive Ageing Taskforce

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PROJECT OFFICER REPORT – June 2017

Well we are now approaching mid-year – and we continue to be busy keeping up to date with the reforms and implementing the required changes in our practice. The announcement of the extension of Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) until 30/06/2020 has come as a welcome relief for CHSP service providers who can now progress planning for continuation of delivery of services.

2017 Taskforce Membership

If you need to change your details or no longer wish to be part of the Taskforce, please advise via email mfuller@victor.sa.gov.au. If you know of any service providers, agencies or other key stakeholders who would like to participate in the Taskforce, please feel free to forward my contact details. The Taskforce Membership Form is also available online at www.victor.sa.gov.au/flourishing

Flourishing on the Fleurieu

1. **Flourishing on the Fleurieu Festival** – Office for the Ageing recently called for submissions of case studies which showcase age friendly programs and initiatives that highlight the innovation of local government in progressing the age friendly agendas. We submitted an article about our Flourishing on the Fleurieu Festival held in October last year which exemplified the active contribution that older people are making to our community through their participation in a range of diverse community groups. The Festival, along with the Age Friendly Business and Community Awards, were featured initiatives at the Launch of the new Age Friendly SA Strategy on 22 May at the Intercontinental Adelaide for leaders of local and state government and other key stakeholders.

Dementia Friendly Communities

2. **Dementia Friendly Communities project:** The Dementia Action Group will continue to progress our local dementia-friendly communities initiatives.
 - a. *Dementia Alliance:* This group will help advocate for the needs of people living with dementia, their families and carers. The Dementia Alliance will provide feedback to the Dementia Action Group to help shape future efforts to make our community more aware and inclusive of the needs of people living with dementia. If you know of anyone who would be interested in joining this open and flexible group, in particular people living with dementia and/or their carers, please pass on my contact details.
 - b. *Online resource:* To access the electronic noticeboards with information about local dementia services and support (Dementia Information and Education, and Dementia Services in Southern Fleurieu region), go to www.victor.sa.gov.au/flourishing. If you know of additional local dementia-specific services or information available which could be added to these noticeboards please let us know. Please note, flyers and posters can also be uploaded.
 - c. *The CADDY initiative:* We hope to trial a prototype of The Caddy initiative in the second half of this year. We are working closely with Caring Neighbourhood Program and Community Connect Program to see how this initiative might value-add and utilise the infrastructure of these existing local social support programs.
3. **Dementia Friendly Communities Training:** Home Instead Senior Care hosted a Dementia Friendly Training Workshop on 19 May, and have scheduled the next

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workshop for 16 June at the Southern Fleurieu Health Service. These 45 minute workshops are suitable for customer service staff of local businesses, volunteers of organisations, and other interested community members. For further information, or to register your attendance, please contact Jan Atkinson on 8552 9840 or jan.atkinson@homeinstead.com.au

Workforce Development & Training

4. **NHMRC National Institute for Dementia Research Public Lecture Tour 2017:** Michelle attended the Lecture held in Adelaide on 12 April and distributed the presentation slides from Professor Henry Brodaty's talk 'Inspiring Hope, Retaining Realism' via email to Taskforce members on 18 April.
5. **A Taste of Resilience workshop:** This three hour workshop was held at the new Community Hub in Goolwa on Tuesday 2 May 2017, with twelve people participating. Feedback was very positive with 11 out of 12 respondents rating the level to which they gained learnings or insights as "a lot" or "a great deal", 83% rated their overall satisfaction as very good to excellent.
For details about other BPP events and training workshops on offer visit: <http://www.agedcommunity.asn.au/providers/better-practice-project/eventsworkshops/>
6. **Focus on Falls Seminar:** Active Ageing Australia in partnership with the Taskforce are hosting two 'Focus on Falls Seminars' to be held on Tuesday 27 June 2017 in Victor Harbor. A consumer session is scheduled to be held at Flinders University Rural Clinical School 10.00 – 11.30am (including morning tea); and a session for health professionals will be held at Anchorage Seafront Hotel function room from 1.00 – 4.30pm (including afternoon tea). Further details for registration to be distributed once available.

Kangaroo Island

7. Still exploring effective options for our KI stakeholders to link in to Taskforce network meetings, including phone link in and video conferencing. An update re: the Taskforce was provided for the recent KI Community Services Forum held on 17 May. Country Cabinet Community BBQ on 4 June 4.00-6.00pm at the Kingscote Town Hall and a Public Forum on 5 June 12.00 - 12.45pm at the Penneshaw Town Hall, with Premier Jay Weatherill and Cabinet Ministers – all members of the community invited to attend.

Sector Support & Development

8. **Aged Care Quality Agency Presentation:** Awaiting a reply and confirmation of availability from the Aged Care Quality Agency in relation to booking a presentation time.
9. **New CHSP Manual now available:** A new manual was released in April 2017 which outlines the requirements supporting the delivery and management of the Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP). This resource is for use by service providers and forms part of the Grant Agreement. The new manual can be accessed via the Department of Health website:

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<https://agedcare.health.gov.au/news-and-resources/publications/fact-sheets/commonwealth-home-support-programme-programme-manual-2017>

10. **SA Collaborative Projects 2017 Symposium 'No one should have no one':** The theme of this year's Symposium is Loneliness and Social Isolation with a range of guest speakers presenting in addition to interactive sessions. The event will be held on Friday 7 July 2017 at Morphettville Racecourse Phar Lap Room, 79 Morphett Road, Morphettville with registrations commencing at 8.30am. The Symposium is fully-funded by the SA Collaborative Projects and will be free for service providers to attend. Places are limited and filling very fast. Registration via online link in flyer attached.
11. **Online Hub for Positive Ageing Taskforce:** please visit our weblink at www.victor.sa.gov.au/flourishing and check it out, suggestions for improvements are always welcome.

Ageing and Aged Care Communication from/to Department of Health

12. *Information about ageing and aged care is available via:*
 - Department of Health website: <https://agedcare.health.gov.au/>
 - Subscribe to newsletter: <https://agedcare.health.gov.au/ageing-and-aged-care-news-and-updates/advice-to-the-aged-care-industry>
 - Announcements: <https://agedcare.health.gov.au/ageing-and-aged-care-news-and-updates-advice-to-the-aged-care-industry/announcements>
 - Webinars: <https://agedcare.health.gov.au/ageing-and-aged-care-news-and-updates/webinars>
 - Publications: <https://agedcare.health.gov.au/publications-and-articles>
 - Consultations: <https://agedcare.govcms.gov.au/ageing-and-aged-care-news-and-updates/consultations>
 - Speaking Requests: <https://agedcare.govcms.gov.au/news-and-updates/aged-care-speaking-requests>
 - Aus Tender: <https://www.tenders.gov.au/>
 - Multi-Purpose Services (MPS) Subscription: <https://agedcare.health.gov.au/programs-services/flexible-care/multi-purpose-services-program>
13. **Aged Care Roadmap:** future reform directions for aged care
https://agedcare.health.gov.au/sites/g/files/net1426/f/documents/04_2016/strategic_roadmap_for_aged_care_web.pdf
14. **Home Care Package changes Feb 2017: Feedback and Response from Department**
Thank you to those who provided feedback on the Home Care Package changes via the statewide survey, this information was collated and provided to the Department of Health state office. Department of Health representatives Louise Hamilton, Bev Young and Margot Chiverton met with SA Collaborative Project Officers on 10 May to discuss this feedback and provided responses to the issues raised. The Department's responses were distributed via email to Taskforce members on 17 May, along with useful weblinks for accessing additional information. The Department of Health Webinar, 'Home care reforms and ongoing improvements', streamed on 15 May 2017, also has information on many of the issues raised in the recent CPO survey, it is available for viewing at [Webinars | Ageing and Aged Care](#).

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15. **Extension of Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP):** on 10 May the Department of Health announced the extension of CHSP until 30 June 2020, which is a great relief for CHSP service providers who can now plan ahead.

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16. **Flourishing on the Fleurieu Business and Community Forum:** this forum, hosted by Regional Development Australia Adelaide Hills, Fleurieu and KI, was held on 24 May at the McCracken Country Club. Session 1 focussed on Tourism and Hospitality and Session 2 on Community and Health specifically in relation to creating dementia friendly communities.

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