

Australia establishes national aged care advisory council

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It includes health and allied health experts across several fields as well as IT systems, finance and workforce professionals



Seventeen prominent Australians will provide expert advice on aged care issues and the implementation of the Australian Government's \$17.7 billion reform agenda in response to the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety.

Led by inaugural chair Andrea Coote (an Australian former parliamentarian), the National Aged Care Advisory Council will ensure aged care reforms meet the needs and expectations of senior Australians, their families and carers and the Australian community.

Minister for Health and Aged Care, Greg Hunt, said the Advisory Council formed part of the Australian Government's comprehensive response to the Royal Commission.

"This is the most significant reform ever undertaken by an Australian Government to improve the care of senior Australians both in residential care and care at home," Minister Hunt said.

Three working groups will be established to support the Advisory Council – the Workforce Advisory Working Group, the Quality Advisory Working Group and the Financing and Markets Advisory Working Group.

The Advisory Council members will advise on issues from navigating aged care services to building the capability of providers and the workforce to deliver the Government's reforms.