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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

We would like to share an update from the Hon Sam Rae MP, the new Minister for Aged Care and Seniors.

The Minister has announced that, following consultation across the sector, the Australian Government will defer the start of the new Aged Care Act from **1 July 2025 to 1 November 2025**.

This extra time will help ensure that everyone—consumers, families, providers and workers—can better understand the changes and prepare for their introduction.

The new Act will place the rights of older people at the centre of aged care and guide how services are delivered to ensure safe, high-quality and respectful care.

We will continue to keep all our consumers and families informed as we receive further details from the Government. In the meantime, there will be **no changes** to the way we conduct intake or deliver our services.

For your reference, we have attached the Minister's Open Letter. If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to your Manager or Advisor.

ANHF Senior Management