



Australian Government
Department of Health and Ageing

**COMMUNITY AGED CARE WORKFORCE – FREE COMMUNITY
TRAINING NOW AVAILABLE**

Funding is available under the Community Aged Care Workforce Development Program – Specialised Training, to provide 1,000 training places for workers from a culturally and linguistically diverse background and 1,000 training places for workers from an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background.

The funding available is to provide training in the following nationally-recognised qualifications:

- Certificate III in Home and Community Care; and
- Certificate IV in Home and Community Care.

and may cover backfilling salary costs for staff attending training.

The target group for training is community care workers who are from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander or culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, who deliver care to recipients of community aged care, EACH and EACH D packages.

Directions Australia has been engaged to deliver this training nationally. An expression of interest form for the Community Aged Care Workforce Development Program – Specialised Training is available by contacting Directions Australia directly on 1300 88 46 55 or via email at agedcare@directionsaustralia.com.au.

Eligible providers are encouraged to identify staff that would benefit from this training.

If you require further information about this and other community aged care training programs, please contact the Community Aged Care Workforce Program Manager, Judy Stretton, on 02 6289 4159 or via email at community.aged.care.workforce@health.gov.au

Other training is also available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander aged care workers in the Northern Territory, through the following training organisations:

- Charles Darwin University- East Arnhem, West Arnhem, Roper Gulf and Katherine regions;
- HK Training and Consultancy - Victoria Daly Shire and Darwin regions
- Henge Education - MacDonnell and Alice Springs regions; and
- STEPS Training - Central Desert and Barkly regions

For further information about the training offered through these four organisations please contact Sian Owen-Jones, on 08 8950 1620 or via email at Sian.Owen-Jones@Health.gov.au.