



Aged & Community Services  
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## National Aged Care Awards of Excellence – South Australian Recognition

Aged & Community Services SA&NT Inc (ACS) wishes to congratulate South Australia's **Dr Mike Rungie** following his recognition as South Australian advocate for older Australians at the 2010 ACSA Conference held in Hobart this week. Mike was **awarded the Aged and Community Services Australia (ACSA) individual prize for excellence in aged care.**

Dr Rungie is the CEO of ACH Group, a not-for-profit organisation providing an extensive range of aged care services to South Australians since 1952. He was cited as a passionate and innovative leader in the aged care industry who believes that older people should be treated with dignity and respect, not only for their contributions to society but for what they can continue to achieve. As a champion for the rights of older people, Dr Rungie and ACH have introduced a myriad of innovations in services for older people, now considered as basic options across the country.

We are also pleased to acknowledge South Australia's **CCI Group Purchasing winner of the industry support award for excellence.** CCI Group Purchasing, from Brooklyn Park, was applauded for the invaluable service it provides to the aged care industry through strategic purchasing with preferred suppliers of more than 20 products. CCI was commended for its ingenuity in assisting the industry to meet the challenges of rising costs.

The ACSA national awards, sponsored by HESTA Super Fund, recognise the exceptional contribution individuals make to providing quality residential and community care for older Australians.

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*Aged and Community Services SA & NT Inc (ACS) is the peak body providing strategic leadership to 95% of the not-for-profit aged and community sector in South Australia and members in the Northern Territory.*

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