

# Advisory Committee for the National Carer Strategy

## Expression of Interest Application Form

### Background

In October 2023, the Minister for Social Services, the Hon Amanda Rishworth MP, announced the development of a National Carer Strategy (the Strategy), to deliver a national agenda to support Australia's carers.

The Strategy will recognise the immense contribution of Australia's unpaid carers to the community, and provide a framework for coordination of carer policy across Commonwealth portfolios including aged care, disability, veterans' affairs and mental health. It will be developed in consultation with carers across Australia to reflect the diversity of carers, the challenges they face and appropriately supports carers' wellbeing, as well as their economic and social participation.

A National Carer Strategy Advisory Committee (the Advisory Committee) is being formed to support the development and implementation of the Strategy. The Advisory Committee will include carers with lived experience from diverse backgrounds as well as sector representatives from a range of portfolios, including aged care, disability, veterans' affairs, and mental health.

We are seeking nominations for carers to join the Advisory Committee through an open EOI process and appointed by the Minister for Social Services, the Hon Amanda Rishworth MP. This document is the application form to express interest in being a member of the Advisory Committee. Where nominees consent, applications made through this process may be used to select working groups, roundtables or focus groups.

For more information and to support your application, please read the [Background and Frequently Asked Questions](#).

Applications will close at 11:59pm on 29 January 2024.

### Submitting a handwritten form

[Online applications](#) are preferred but we can accept handwritten EOI forms. If you wish to submit a handwritten form, please:

- Download and print off a copy of this form.
- Write your answers clearly in blue or black pen, in the spaces provided.
- Scan and email your completed form to [nationalcarerstrategy@dss.gov.au](mailto:nationalcarerstrategy@dss.gov.au) by 11:59pm on 29 January 2024.

## About you

### Salutation

Mr

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A/Prof

Mrs

Dr

None

Ms

Prof

### First name

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### Last name

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### Email address

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### Postcode

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### Gender identity

Man

Woman

Non-binary

Prefer not to say

Other 

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### Age group

18-24

35-44

55-64

25-34

45-54

65+

Prefer not to disclose

### Representation:

I am applying as an individual, or

I am applying as a representative of an organisation

### Name of organisation

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### Your role

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**Do you identify as a person with a diverse background? This can include people who identify as; First Nations; culturally and linguistically diverse; women and girls; LGBTIQA+ community members; those who live in regional and rural areas and, people with complex needs?**

Yes       No

**If yes, feel free to elaborate below (150 words):**

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### **My Experience as a Carer**

**I have experience caring for**

- A partner                       A child                       An adult child  
 A parent                       A sibling                       Another relative  
 A friend                       Other (please specify: \_\_\_\_\_)

**How many people are you caring for currently?**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Insert Number) OR  I am not caring for anyone currently but I have in the past

**Are any of the people you care for, or have cared for, Veterans?**

Yes                       No

**What kind of needs does the person or people you care for have (or did have)? Please select all that apply.**

- Frailty due to age       Dementia                       Physical disability  
 Intellectual disability       Neurodiversity                       Mental ill-health  
 Terminal illness                       Chronic health condition

Other (please specify: \_\_\_\_\_)

## Your experience and skills

The expression of interest form is for us to understand your experience, skills and interest relevant to the National Carer Strategy. The following questions seek to understand your unique experience and abilities. As a result, there are no right or wrong answers to these questions.

Strong answers will focus on connecting your experiences and skills to the goals of the National Carer Strategy; to develop a coherent national agenda, recognise the role and contributions of carers and speak to the challenges carers face.

The questions are on the next few pages.













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### **Thank you**

Thank you for your interest in the development of the National Carer Strategy. We appreciate you taking the time to submit this form.

You will receive an email confirmation after your Expression of Interest is submitted.