



National Aged and Community Care February 2026

National Aged and Community Care Forum Meeting

The National Aged and Community Care Forum (NACCF) met on Wednesday 25 February 2026.

Department of Health and Aged Care Update

A presentation on Support at Home was provided by Michelle Smith, Director, Change and Transition Management, Department of Health and Aged Care, outlining the recent progress towards implementation.

NACCF Member Submissions

Aged Care Providers Residents (Vietnam Veterans Association of Australia)

Members acknowledged the challenges Australians face in accessing aged care beds and DVA responded to members' concerns about priority access for veterans and war widow/ers. Information on how aged care homes decide who is offered a bed was outlined and the actions DVA is taking to support clients as they navigate the aged care system were discussed.

DVA Critical Initiatives

Legislation reform Update

NACCF members noted the update on veterans' legislation reform and the several legislative amendments that are working through parliament. An update on training available to veteran advocates was also provided.

Other Business

The following items were discussed under Other Business:

- Timing of future meetings