

Aged Care Employee Day 2019 - Mark your calendars!

All in the age services industry are encouraged to mark their calendars and start planning for Aged Care Employee Day on **7 August 2019**.

Aged Care Employee Day is an official day to thank, honour, recognise and celebrate the hundreds of thousands of people who work in the age services industry across Australia.

LASA CEO Sean Rooney said Aged Care Employee Day aims to put these people in the spotlight, celebrate them, and provide an opportunity to thank them for the work they do and their care for our loved ones.

“The day is designed to celebrate each and every team member involved in the journey of caring for people who receive age services - from the nurses and care workers, to the cooks and hospitality teams, to the drivers, cleaners and laundry employees, to the volunteers, to the leisure and lifestyle officers and administration teams,” he said.

Aged Care Employee Day was initiated by prominent aged care provider Whiddon in 2018.

“LASA thanks Whiddon for initiating this day in 2018 and for generously passing on co-ordination of the day to LASA to continue to build its national focus.

“We encourage the entire age services industry to get behind the day and start planning ways to recognise their employees within their facilities and communities,” Sean Rooney said.

The wonderful work of our aged care employees, and the breadth of the industry, is well captured in this video produced by Whiddon for Aged Care Employees Day 2018.

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About Leading Age Services Australia (LASA)

LASA is the national peak body representing and supporting providers of age services across residential care, home care and retirement living. Our purpose is to enable a high performing, respected, and sustainable age services industry delivering accessible, affordable, quality care and services for older Australians.

We represent providers of age services of all types and sizes located across Australia's metropolitan, regional and rural areas. Consistent with the overall industry profile, 57% of our Members are not-for-profit providers, 33% are for-profit providers and 10% are government providers.

Our diverse and representative membership gives LASA the ability to speak with credibility and authority on issues of importance to older Australians and the age services industry.

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