

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### Opportunity knocks

The Campaign for Care of Older Australians (CCOA) congratulates the new Government and urges a new era of bipartisan support for urgent reforms in aged care.

“Both major parties and the independents negotiated unprecedented parliamentary reforms,” CCOA said.

“We would like to see a similar approach to the reform of the aged care sector which caters for more than a million older Australians.

“CCOA’s vision for caring for older Australians, The Grand Plan, outlines both short term measures and the systemic reform needed to ensure all Australians, wherever they live, can choose and access the care they need as they age.

The composition of the 43<sup>rd</sup> Parliament offers a unique opportunity to engage in detailed debate, which should be informed by the aged care sector including consumer groups.

“The broad CCOA membership base is ready, willing and able to provide all members of parliament advice and insight into the urgent needs of older Australians and the aged care services sector.”

*CCOA comprises the peak bodies and national service providers of residential and community based aged care services.*

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