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Nulsen and Outcare to build on shared compassion and commitment

Two of Western Australia's most respected and long standing community support organisations are moving to join forces.

The Nulsen Group (Nulsen) and Outcare have begun a process which will bring the two organisations together in a business move that will create a stronger and diversified offering.

Both Nulsen and Outcare have been providing essential support to Western Australians and their families for more than half a century. Under the planned change, Outcare will transition into the Nulsen Group structure as a separate trading entity.

Nulsen Chief Executive Officer Gordon Trewern said the boards of both organisations strongly believed the merger would deliver significant benefits for the clients and employees of Nulsen and Outcare.

"In a changing and challenging community sector, joining up with a like-minded organisation provides an opportunity to sustain and enhance services to our clients as well as create additional career opportunities for our people," Mr Trewern said.

Nulsen is a Western Australian organisation that provides care to people of all ages with complex disabilities through supported accommodation and therapy services, while Outcare works with people whose circumstances place them at risk of entry to the criminal justice system, or who are currently serving a sentence to stop their cycle of crime and help them find a home, a job and deal with the issues that cause them to offend.

Outcare Chief Executive Paul McMullan said the organisations were united by a shared sense of compassion and commitment to helping people with complex needs.

"Our values are very similar and if you break it down, we want our clients to live better and more fulfilled lives," Mr McMullan said.

Nulsen and Outcare will now complete a thorough due diligence process up until 30 June 2019 covering the financial, legal and contractual issues involved in bringing the two organisations together.

Once due diligence is complete Outcare will transition under Nulsen as a trading entity and continue the great work it does.

Mr Trewern said during the transition it would be business as usual for both organisations underpinned by a continuing commitment to supporting clients and employees.

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About Nulsen Group

With a foundation stretching back 60 years and beginning with Nulsen Haven, our organisation supports people with complex disabilities of all ages. We collaborate with our residents and their families, so they have the opportunity of a good life with choice and control over the care and services they receive. There are 52 shared living homes across the Perth metropolitan area providing supported accommodation and quality 24/7 care. Through Nulsen Therapy we also provide nursing support, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, speech pathology, psychology and positive behaviour support to over 190 individuals. The Nulsen Group employs over 700 Western Australians.

About Outcare

Outcare is a Western Australian organisation that works to improve community safety by reducing re-offending. We specialise in person centred care for people whose circumstances place them at risk of entry to the criminal justice system, or who are currently serving a sentence. Our committed team can provide support in prison, during release and after release to help rebuild positive lives, families and futures. Our programmes are supported and delivered by a team of over 80 staff and include accommodations support, career transition services, mental health support and community inclusion.

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