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Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) Funding Extension - 2022

Funded by the Australian Governments Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP), the Gawler Home Assist Program provides a range of entry-level aged care services for older people who need assistance to keep living independently at home and in the community.

The Program aims to promote independence through the provision of a range of subsidised home support services that focus on working with ageing residents to help them maintain their own health, safety and wellbeing. Services are tailored to individual needs and circumstances and may include:

- Domestic help (e.g. assistance with housework and/or to change bed linen)
- Personal care (e.g. help with showering or dressing)
- Home maintenance (e.g. changing light bulbs, minor home repairs and limited gardening services)
- Home modification (e.g. installation of grab rails or replacement of taps/door handles to improve ease of access)
- Social support (e.g. accompanied activities, such as shopping and bill paying)

As part of the 2019 Australian Government Budget package, it has been announced that funding for the Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) will be extended from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2022. The announced funding certainty ensures continued service provision for clients for a further two years.

“This announcement provides welcome relief to the many users of the Gawler Home Assist Program, as it provides certainty that services will continue to be made available to eligible residents, until at least 2022” said Mayor Redman. “This is a great outcome and we look forward to working with the Department of Health to implement the funding extension, ensuring that this valuable service remains available to Gawlers ageing residents for an additional two years.”

For more information on how to access CHSP funded services, contact the Gawler Home Assist Program on 8522 1177 or My Aged Care on 1800 200 422.



L-R: Mayor Karen Redman with Commonwealth Home Support Programme clients, Val Rappold and Nickolas Militch

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