## What activities or products would support you to prepare for the new Aged Care Act 2024?

The new Act imposes even higher costs on Pensioners and part-pensioners than the current Act, which is in itself enormous. Having to give up over lifetime bank savings toward a room, then give up half -two thirds of income for daily ResCare amounts leave the remaining spouse not affording to pay living expenses let alone funding their own health or home care needs. It's unfair, out of reach for this cohort, unrealistic and no amount of activities or products marketing this "Tory" Act will support/prepare me. You have omitted a financial remedy for spouse/partner of infirmed other. The infirmed person will be looked after well but their spouse is at financial risk.

## Other comments

"I have read a lot about current rules/cost as well as the 2025 Act which did not contain full disclosure of costs leaving Chapter 4 .empty of content when passing this through Parluament. Snippets of cost info was given in some papers but full disclosure was not provided. Whoever thought of this strategy should hold their head in shame.

You have and will lose the trust of the Aged Community of Users once the reality of the hefty costs forced on them Aged is realised. Shame on the Minister Anika Wells."