



Budget 2026-27

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Better care for older Australians

CATEGORY: Ageing

This measure will exempt people who get payments under the Stolen Generations Redress Scheme from residential aged care means testing assessments. This aligns with payments made under the National Redress Scheme.

Currently, all Stolen Generations Redress Scheme payments are assessed as assets under the residential aged care means tests when retained as financial resources. In some cases, these financial assets may also be included in the income test through deeming. As a result, some recipients, and in certain cases, their partners, face higher residential aged care costs than they would have in the absence of these payments.

This will ensure redress payments don't inadvertently increase aged care costs for Stolen Generations survivors or their partners.

Services Australia will get \$2 million through to 2029-30 to implement this measure.

This measure is led by the Department of Health, Disability and Ageing.

This measure is subject to legislation passing.

Who this measure affects

This affects all recipients of the Stolen Generations Redress Scheme payments.

When this starts and finishes

This measure starts on 1 July 2026 and is ongoing.