



## FEDERAL BUDGET 2024-25: WHAT IT MEANS FOR CARERS

### Who are Australia's carers?

Over 2.65 million Australians provide unpaid care and support to family members and friends who have a disability, mental illness, chronic condition, terminal illness, an alcohol or other drug issue or who are frail aged.

#### According to our 2023 Carer Wellbeing Survey:

# 47%

of carers in paid work reported they were doing less paid work than they want to.

# 68%

of carers reported low satisfaction with their ability to do further education or training.

### Budget wins for carers:



\$18.6 million to support Carer Payment recipients through **increased flexibility to undertake work, study and volunteering activities.**



\$318 million for a **one-year freeze on the maximum cost of a Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription.**



\$531.4 million for an **extra 24,100 aged care Home Care Packages.**



\$3.5 billion cost-of-living package including a **\$300 discount on energy bills for every household.**

[Read our full guide to the Budget here](#)



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