



## Quality of Care Amendment Principles 2003 (No. 1)

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I, JULIE ISABEL BISHOP, Minister for Ageing, make these Principles under subsection 96-1 (1) of the *Aged Care Act 1997*.

Dated *12 November* 2003

Minister for Ageing

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**1 Name of Principles**

These Principles are the *Quality of Care Amendment Principles 2003 (No. 1)*.

**2 Commencement**

These Principles commence on gazettal.

**3 Amendment of *Quality of Care Principles 1997***

Schedule 1 amends the *Quality of Care Principles 1997*.

## **Schedule 1 Amendments**

(section 3)

**[1] Section 18.3, note**

*after*

- flexible care

*insert*

- key personnel

**[2] Part 2, heading**

*substitute*

## **Part 2 Responsibilities of approved providers**

### **Division 2.1 Specified care and services for residential care services**

**[3] Section 18.5, heading**

*substitute*

### **18.5 Purpose of Division (Act, s 54-1)**

**[4] Section 18.5**

*omit*

Part

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Division

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**[5] After section 18.6**

*insert*

**Division 2.2 Other responsibilities**

**18.6A Purpose of Division (Act, s 54-1)**

This Division specifies other responsibilities of an approved provider in relation to the quality of the aged care that the approved provider provides.

**18.6B Fire safety declaration**

- (1) An approved provider must, in relation to each residential care service operated by the approved provider on any day in 2003 or a later calendar year, give to the Secretary a declaration (a ***fire safety declaration***) about whether the residential care service complied with all applicable State or Territory laws (including local by-laws) relating to fire safety on every day in the year, being a day on which the approved provider provided aged care through the residential care service.
- (2) A fire safety declaration must:
  - (a) be in a form approved by the Secretary; and
  - (b) include all the information required by the form; and
  - (c) not contain false or misleading information; and
  - (d) be signed by one of the approved provider's key personnel, being a person who is authorised by the approved provider to sign the declaration.
- (3) A fire safety declaration must be given to the Secretary on or before 1 March in the year following the calendar year to which it relates.