



Cabinet Legislation Committee

Minute of Decision

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Government Response to the Report of the Health Committee on the Inquiry into the Aged Care Sector's Current and Future Capacity to Provide Support Services for People Experiencing Neurological Cognitive Disorders

Portfolio Health / Associate Health (Hon Casey Costello)

On 19 February 2026, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1 **noted** that on 21 November 2025, the Health Committee presented its report to the House titled Inquiry into the aged care sector's current and future capacity to provide support services for people experiencing neurological cognitive disorders;
- 2 **noted** that the Health Committee made 14 recommendations to improve how the aged care sector supports people experiencing neurological cognitive disorders;
- 3 **noted** that the Health Committee's recommendations will be considered through work underway on aged care, including ongoing work as part of the Health New Zealand Aged Care Funding and Service Models Review and the work programme on aged care;
- 4 **approved** the Government response attached to the submission under LEG-26-SUB-0022;
- 5 **noted** that the Government response is due to be presented to the House by 10 March 2026;
- 6 **invited** the Minister of Health, and Associate Minister of Health (Hon Casey Costello) to present the Government response to the House, in accordance with Standing Order 256.

Sam Moffett
Committee Secretary

Present:

Hon David Seymour (Chair)
Rt Hon Winston Peters
Hon Paul Goldsmith
Hon Judith Collins KC
Hon Tama Potaka
Hon Brooke van Velden
Hon Nicole McKee
Hon Casey Costello
Hon Scott Simpson
Jamie Arbuckle MP

Officials present from:

Officials Committee for LEG