

Frequently Seen Acronyms in Aged Care

Acronym	Meaning
ACAR	Aged Care Assessment Record
AA	Alzheimer's Australia
ACAT	Aged Care Assessment Team
ACCR	Aged Care Client Record
ACQSC	Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission
ACSA	Aged & Community Services Australia
ACSO	Aged Care Specialist Officer
ACSRS	Aged Care Star Ratings System
ACVVS	Aged Care Volunteer Visitor Scheme
AHCWA	Aboriginal Health Council WA
AHP	Allied Health Professional
AHPRA	Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency
AMS	Aboriginal Medical Service
ANPEA	Australian Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse
APEA:WA	Alliance for the Prevention of Elder Abuse: Western Australia
AT	Assistive Technology
ATSI	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
BDF	Basic Daily Fee
CAB	Citizens Advice Bureau
CALD	Culturally and Linguistically Diverse
CDC	Consumer Directed Care
CHSP	Commonwealth Home Support Program
CM	Care Manager
CoACR	Charter of Aged Care Rights
COS	Continuity of Support Program
COTA	Council on the Ageing
DAC	Daily Accommodation Contribution
DAP	Daily Accommodation Payment
DOH	Department of Health
DSA	Dementia Support Australia
DSOA	Disability Support for Older Australians
DV	Domestic Violence
DVA	Department of Veteran's Affairs
DVAS	Domestic Violence Advocacy Service
EA	Elder Abuse
EAAA	Elder Abuse Action Australia
EAPP	Elder Abuse Prevention Program
EPA	Enduring Power of Attorney
EPG	Enduring Power of Guardianship
ERWA	Elder Rights WA
F&DV	Family & Domestic Violence
FECCA	Federation of Ethnic Communities' Councils of Australia
FIS	Financial Information Service

FVRO	Family Violence Restraining Order
GEAT	Goods, Equipment and Assistive Technologies
GRAI	Gay Rights in Ageing
HACC	Home and Community Care services
HaDSCO	Health and Disability Service Complaints Office
HCC	Health Consumers' Council
HCP	Home Care Package
INPEA	International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse
ITCF	Income Tested Care Fee
LGBTI/LGBTIQ+	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Intersex and/or Queer plus other identities
MAC	My Aged Care
MHERL	Mental Health Emergency Response Line
MMSE	Mini-Mental State Examination
NATSIFAC	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flexible Aged Care Program
MPS	Multi-Purpose Service
NARI	National Ageing Research Institute
NDAP	National Disability Advocacy Program
NDHL	National Dementia Helpline
NDIS	National Disability Insurance Scheme
NRS	National Relay Service (hearing-assisted)
NSAF	National Screening and Assessment Form
NSCLC	Northern Suburbs Community Legal Centre
OAMHS	Older Adult Mental Health Service
OPA	Office of the Public Advocate
OPAN	Older Persons Advocacy Network
OPRS	Older People's Rights Service
OT	Occupational Therapist
PAS	Psychogeriatric Assessment Scale
POA	Power of Attorney
PT	Public Trustee
PWD	People with Disabilities WA
RAC	Refundable Accommodation Contribution
RACF	Residential Aged Care Facility
RAD	Refundable Accommodation Deposit
RAS	Regional Assessment Service
RAP	Rehabilitation Appliances Program
SARC	Sexual Assault Resource Centre
SAT	State Administrative Tribunal
SDM	Supported Decision Making
SIRS	Serious Incident Response Scheme
SPR	Support Plan Review
STRC	Short-Term Restorative Care
TCP	Transition Care Program
TIS	Translating and Interpreting Service (national)
VRO	Violence Restraining Order

Other Resources:

Acronyms in Palliative Care that may be used in Aged Care:

<https://www.caresearch.com.au/tabid/6458/Default.aspx>

Department of Health - A list of acronyms and glossary terms likely to be found within Department of Health (DoH) information:

<https://ww2.health.wa.gov.au/List-of-abbreviations#:~:text=WA%20HEALTH,WBC>

Aged Care Guide – Terms and Definitions:

<https://www.agedcareguide.com.au/terms>

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