NSW Steering Committee for Aged Care

The aim of the committee is to provide a forum for stakeholders to meet and consider mechanisms to provide an appropriate level of nursing care in aged care facilities in NSW and includes consideration of the following options:

- Remove the requirement for a registered nurse to be on duty at all times from the Public Health Act and leave regulation of aged care facilities to the Commonwealth accreditation procedures;
- Retain the requirement but redefine “nursing home” in the Public Health Act;
- Introduce a new requirement that better reflects models of care and supports, or is linked, to the Commonwealth requirements.

Membership

The membership of the Committee is as follows:

- NSW Ministry of Health representatives
- Aged and Community Services, NSW & ACT (ACS)
- Australian Aged Care Quality Agency (AACQA)
- Australian and New Zealand Society for Geriatric Medicine (ANZSGM)
- Combined Pensioners & Superannuants Association of NSW (CPSA)
- Commonwealth Department of Social Services, Aging and Aged Care (DSS)
- Leading Age Services Australia NSW – ACT (LASA)
- NSW Nurses and Midwives’ Association (NSWNMA)
- Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP)