

## REPORT

Fair Work Act 2009 s.156 – 4 yearly review of modern awards

4 yearly review of modern awards—Award stage—Group 4 awards—Substantive Issues

(AM2018/13)

## AGED CARE AWARD 2010

[MA000018]

JUSTICE ROSS, PRESIDENT

MELBOURNE, 30 OCTOBER 2018

4 yearly review of modern awards – award stage – group 4 awards – substantive issues – Aged Care Award 2010

- [1] This report deals with the outcome of a Mention held on Monday 22 October 2018 to deal with the programming of a number of substantive claims to vary the *Aged Care Award 2010*. A transcript of the Mention proceedings is available on the Commission's website Mention.
- [2] The following organisations were represented at the Mention:
  - United Voice
  - ABI and NSWBC
  - Aged Care Employers
  - Leading Age Services
  - Aged & Community Services Australia
  - AFEI
  - Health Services Union
  - Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation
- [3] The parties provided further clarification as to the substantive claims they intend to pursue. A revised list of substantive claims is attached to this report (**Attachment A**).
- [4] The Unions indicated that they are likely to file 2-3 witness statements in support of their claims and the hearing is expected to take two days. Draft directions are attached (Attachment B). Parties seeking to vary the award are to file draft variation determinations by no later than 4.00pm Wednesday 7 November 2018. A further Mention in respect of the substantive claims in this award will be held on Friday 9 November at 11am in Sydney. At the Mention the parties will be asked to confirm that the list of substantive claims at

Attachment A is accurate. Parties will also be invited to comment on the draft directions. Interested parties are encouraged to confer prior to the Mention.

## **PRESIDENT**

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## ATTACHMENT A - List of substantive claims in the Aged Care Award 2010

United Voice seeks to vary the award by:

- introducing a Telephone allowance;
- amending the Sleepovers clause to allow for a continuous sleepover span of eight hours and amending the Payment for time worked subclause to allow any employee to be paid for all time worked during a sleepover at the prescribed overtime rate with a minimum payment of one hour; and
- amending the Classification Definition (Personal care worker) to replace "is required to hold a relevant Certificate III" with "holds a relevant Certificate III".

The Health Services Union seeks to vary the award by:

- ensuring that the casual loading, payable in lieu of the paid leave entitlements of ongoing employees, is paid in addition to weekend and public holiday rates;
- ensuring shift allowances are paid when employees are working afternoon or night duty regardless of the day of the week;
- introducing the following allowances: a Telephone allowance; On call/recall allowances; a Reimbursement of costs associated with first aid certificate renewal allowance; a Damaged clothing allowance; and an allowance for employees who are the subject of a unilateral employer-imposed roster change;
- deleting or amending the Broken shift clause to include a minimum engagement period; a new broken shift allowance; and payment of overtime where the broken shift finish time is greater than the daily maximum shift length of 10 hours; and
- increasing the minimum engagement period to 4 hours for part-time and casual employees



# **DRAFT DIRECTIONS**

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JUSTICE ROSS, PRESIDENT

SYDNEY, 9 NOVEMBER 2018

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#### It is directed that:

- 1. Interested parties are to file in the Commission evidence and submissions in support of their claims on or before 4.00 pm on Friday 18 January 2019.
- 2. Interested parties are to file in the Commission evidence and submissions in reply on or before **4.00pm on Friday 15 March 2019**.
- 3. All submissions must be sent to AMOD@fwc.gov.au.
- 4. The matter will be heard on 10 and 11 April 2019, in Sydney.

### **PRESIDENT**