

# **PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION**

## **PRELIMINARY PROPOSALS - RESPONSES**

### **PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL 1 AND 2**

- We would be wanting to see any subsidy payment meet each states financial and operating costs. But all states should start with an even playing field not as it is at the moment (ie Victoria and WA with RN rates).

### **PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL 3 (a)**

- We need to have a minimum efficient scale but I wonder if there are as many 60 + bed nursing homes in WA as there are in other states (for example all three of ours are 40 beds).

### **PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL 3 (b)**

- What about where there are significant shortages of RN's? How do we attract them to our sector?

### **PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL 6**

- Our sector should be cost reimbursed. We need to use agency staff because of shortages of RN's.

### **PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL 7**

- Cost reimbursement would be preferred perhaps there needs to be a "reward" inducement and a cap on the upper limit.

### **PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL 9**

- MUST BE NEW MONEY