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UnitingCare looks to incoming government for aged care wage rise

UnitingCare Australia, the Uniting Church's national agency for community services, has congratulated Anthony Albanese on becoming Prime Minister.

"We congratulate Mr Albanese and his parliamentary team", said National Director Claerwen Little.

"We wish them well as they seek to follow one of their guiding principles, namely that 'no Australian should be left behind'. That principle is consistent with the Church's approach to social justice."

Ms Little also thanked outgoing Prime Minister, Mr Morrison, and his senior ministerial team for their service to the public.

"UnitingCare Australia has worked constructively with several senior ministers, such as Anne Ruston, in the outgoing Government, and look forward to their continuing contribution as Members of Parliament."

"UnitingCare Australia has a major focus on key policies which we believe will offer essential support for people who are disadvantaged and vulnerable," Ms Little.

"We will continue that advocacy with the new Australian Government."

Ms Little said that UnitingCare Australia was very pleased with the profile achieved by the "It's time to care about aged care" campaign.

"It is obvious," Ms Little said, "that aged care remained a significant concern for Australians as they thought about their vote prior to 21 May."

"We are now looking for the new Government to support the findings of the Fair Work Commission on wages for aged care workers."

"With the new Treasurer, Mr Chalmers, proposing a federal budget in October, UnitingCare Australia will be working on a small number of specific policy proposals to contribute to that budget."

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