Appendix 4 - Proposed Care in the Community welfare transition plan, including upcoming advice for plan beyond June 2023

Response → Longer-term resilience

Existing government priorities

Longer-term resilience work to be delivered through existing government work programmes (e.g. social cohesion, child and youth wellbeing, elimination of family and sexual violence, health and education reforms), some of which might need to adjust given COVID-19 context.

Care in the Community welfare transition plan

*Care in the Community welfare support continues to be provided to those with welfare needs, who are **directed** by government to self-isolate. Leverage investment already made in regional leadership, community workforce and food infrastructure through to June 2023 to support transition from response to longer-term resilience.*

500 Community Connectors funded through to June '23 to support self-isolating households	As self-isolating household case loads allow, Community Connectors re-focus on connecting people with social services
Food parcels available to those in self-isolation who need support	Community food services and peak bodies have continued funding through to June 2023 to meet continued need
RLGs and RPSCs funded through to June '23 to oversee planning and delivery in line with CPF	RLGs continue to support CPF and increasingly focus on recovery and building resilience, including RPSCs leading public service co-ordination and priorities

Further advice

December 2021 — **June 2022** — **June 2023**

Continued collaboration with DPMC and MOH to ensure aligning Care in the Community welfare support to self-isolation settings is consistent with broader government objectives. Advice provided to Ministers of Finance, Social Development and Employment if legislative requirement to self-isolate remains in place beyond August 2022

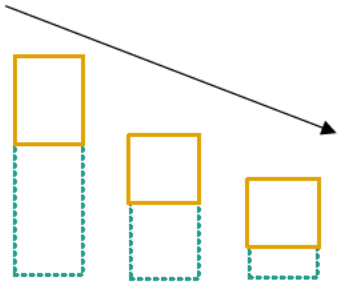
April
Care in the Community welfare post Omicron peak Cabinet paper considered

August
Report back to Cabinet on Regional System Leadership Framework, including advice on **RLGs and RPSCs**

September
Advice provided to Minister for Social Development and Employment on:
1). transition plan for **food provision**, with a view to exit funding foodbanks and shift focus to food security.

2). future of **Community Connection Service** beyond June '23, with a view to ensure scale of service is proportionate to ongoing need and is aligned with broader community supports

Funding implications wil likely be sought through Budget 2023.



Balance and overall funding
Overall investment decreases as we transition into longer-term path, and the balance shifts from COVID-19 response to community recovery and resilience through existing government priority work programmes

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