

Course: Introduction to Age Pension and Aged Care



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Introduction to Age Pension & Aged Care

Duration: 4 hours

Workshop Overview | 2024





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Workshop Specific information

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2. Course Details - Introduction to Age Pension and Aged Care

This course is designed to for administrators and customer service officers working with financial planners or aged care professionals. This is a foundation course which covers key areas of the Social Security Act relating to Age Pension and Aged Care Act.

This is not as comprehensive, detailed or as thorough as those workshops that are a part of the Retirement Living and Aged Care Specialist Designation. Rather this is a workshop designed to educate support staff.

3. Overview

This workshop will cover the following areas:

- 1. Understanding of the Age pension and Social Security framework in Australia.
- 2. Assessment process, asset test & income test. How the Age Pension calculated.
- 3. What is an exempt asset, how much can someone gift, exempt funeral bonds and work bonus.
- 4. Couples, singles and illness separated.
- 5. Types of aged care in the community and residential aged care
- 6. Means assessment: Supported Vs Market payers-
- 7. Breakdown of costs of Aged Care: Accommodation, meals and care.

4. Workshop learning objectives (WLOs)

Upon successful completion of the workshop participants should be able to:

- Explain the social security assessment for age pension.
- Calculate an asset and income test.
- Explain the cost components for residential aged care.
- Define low means and market payer residents.



5. Teaching and learning strategies

The workshop will consist of the following main components:

- Workshop: 4 hours small group virtual workshop consisting of
 - o Course presentation/slides and discussions
 - o Calculations and case studies

Course Materials

- Workshop tech guide and case studies
- Workshop slides and workbook