

Aged Care Expansion - responses to requests for information

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Request For Information	Response
<deidentified> is an AE (labour hire company) and I was wondering if I complete an application if we would be considered for the expansion program as we have not previously supplied Aged Care sector through PALM only local recruitment. Within our current client base, we would be very easily able to gain a request for this program, but I just wanted to ensure we would be considered if we have never historically supplied under PALM?</deidentified>	As per PALM scheme processes, labour hire companies that have not historically employed in a particular sector under the PALM scheme (including Aged Care) must submit a business case to PLF's Employer Onboarding team to demonstrate and justify their history and expertise in this industry. Please contact enquiries@pacificlabourfacility.com.au to discuss business case submissions. Once a business case has been assessed and endorsed by the PLF, then, pending the outcome of the EOI process and any future funding provisions, PLF may consider an application at that point in time.
This piece of work and the capacity of the bidders, would be over and above any current VISA numbers? OR is it from our current allocation? For example, if we have 40 places under the current scheme and put 25 on our EOI, would that leave us with 15 or give us another 25, specific for Aged Care?	AEs are limited by existing recruitment caps - i.e., ACE does not allow for recruitment over and above existing recruitment caps. If an AE (with a recruitment cap of 40) was to apply for 25 workers under ACE, they would be left with 15 to deploy elsewhere through the PALM scheme. They would not be allowed 25 additional workers over and above their existing cap.
Is there a figure that we should be committing to as a minimum?	AEs are required to employ a minimum of two PALM scheme workers at their business locations. While AEs are welcome to submit recruitment applications for their allocated cap, AEs should do so while ensuring they are able to manage their obligations to workers in line with the PALM scheme deed and guidelines.
Do you have any RTO's who already have capability to support this program whose details you can share?	Approved Employers (AEs) are expected to source relevant training partners to meet their specific needs within their proposed geographical region(s) and the requirements of the ACE program. If required, PLF is available to support AEs in identifying and connecting with suitable training providers. However, please note that our knowledge of



available training providers is limited and any recommendations we make are not intended as endorsements. For a list of nationally recognised training providers, we suggest visiting this link to search for registered training organisations offering the
Certificate III Individual Support (Ageing).