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Eliminating barriers faced by all aged CALD Communities with our Community Partners Program

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Care Connect Ltd received funding subject to a successful negotiation of an agreement with the Department of Health and Ageing under the Community Partners Program. This funding has been allocated to promote and facilitate access to aged care information and services for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Communities (CALD) across a three year period.

Care Connect Ltd will be holding its first interactive Community Partners Program workshop on the 9th March 2010 with the Turkish community. The next one will be held on the 23rd March 2010 with the Macedonian community.

These workshops have been designed to eliminate the barriers that all CALD aged individuals face and feel prevent them from accessing Aged Care Services. They will also identify and help us to recognise CALD aged individual's requirements that ultimately support their wellness and independence within the community. Additionally, Care Connect is planning subsequent workshops that will determine which goals have been achieved in order to reduce these barriers and help us to discover new ideas, which also need to be addressed.

Care Connect Ltd is committed to the Community Partners Program and recognises the need to have access to aged care information and services to have high quality care available to all Australians.

For more information regarding our upcoming Turkish workshop please contact our Footscray office on (03) 9362 8000. An interpreter will be available on the day and transport is available upon request. Alternatively you can visit Care Connect's events page from our website at www.careconnect.org.au.

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