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Ageing Australia is inviting aged care, retirement living and seniors housing providers, along with residents, clients, families and loved ones to say “thanks” this Aged Care Employees Day on Thursday, August 7.

Now in its seventh year, Aged Care Employees Day presents an opportunity to shine a spotlight on the dedicated people who work tirelessly to ensure the dignity, comfort, and wellbeing of older Australians.

Ageing Australia chief executive officer Tom Symondson said workers continue to face immense challenges in providing care and support for older Australians, and should be recognised.

“As we approach Aged Care Employee Day, we want to keep in mind the almighty effort put in by everyone working in aged care - from leaders to frontline staff and those working behind the scenes - and encourage the public to take a moment and say, ‘thank you for caring,’” he said.

“Aged Care Employee Day has become an important date in our calendar and reminds us

of the caring and professional work of our aged care superstars; their care is personal, selfless and often unsung, and makes a meaningful difference in the lives of older people every single day.

“Be they managers, personal carers, nurses, kitchen and laundry staff, allied health professionals, cleaners, administrators, gardeners or volunteers, going above and beyond the call of duty, to keep our Australians cared for and safe.

“We also want to encourage the entire aged care workforce to take a moment for themselves to regroup, take a breath, and recharge; they all deserve our thanks for their professionalism, their warmth, and their enthusiasm to help older Australians live comfortably.

“We congratulate our aged care heroes for their dedication, their compassion and their resilience and we encourage the public to give them the recognition they are so deserving of.”

Find out more about Aged Care Employees Day via ageingaustralia.asn.au/sector-recognition-programs/aged-care-employee-day



Ageing Australia is inviting everyone to celebrate the hard work and dedication of aged care workers this Aged Care Employees Day. (File)