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Contract Certainty For Homelessness Sector



Yfoundations strongly welcomes Minister Hazzard's announcement yesterday that homelessness services contracts will be renewed through to June 2020.

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We are extremely pleased that the Government has listened to the advice of the Homelessness Sector, as relayed by Yfoundations, DV NSW and Homelessness NSW, on what is needed to best support some of the most disadvantaged members of our society.

Dr Michael Coffey, CEO of Yfoundations, has said: "This decision will allow youth homelessness services to focus all their attention on helping vulnerable young people. The longer time-frame will also allow space for a rigorous evaluation of the service system to be completed, which lead to better outcomes for young people."

The announcement noted the need to progressively link funding to outcome measures, and that consultation will be required to get this right. Dr Coffey commented that: "This is an indication that the Government's approach is well thought-out. We look forward to hearing further details."

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