

TASMANIAN GOVERNMENT RE-OPENS REDRESS SCHEME

The Tasmanian Premier has announced that the redress scheme for Forgotten Australians will be re-opened, allowing for a fresh look at cases of those who would have qualified for consideration under the previous scheme but did not apply for legitimate reasons.

On 4 February 2008, the Premier announced that the State Government would open the scheme for a period of three 3 months. Maximum individual ex-gratia payments will remain at \$60,000, and claimants must have been aged 18 or older on July 11, 2003, as per the previous scheme. The new scheme will be promoted within Tasmania and interstate, including advertising where appropriate.

Any Forgotten Australians who were in “care” in Tasmania and who missed out on the original review in 2004/2005 should contact the Department of Health and Human Services on 1300 135 513 for assistance.