

## Rehabilitation Providers – Requirement for Tertiary Qualifications

### **Ms FINLAY question to PREMIER**

Cherie of Launceston runs a workplace rehabilitation business which has been impacted by your new rules that require her and her staff to obtain tertiary qualifications at a minimum cost of \$40,000 per person to continue the work the business she has been doing for 25 years. According to Cherie, the purpose of the change is to implement a new framework for Tasmanian providers and no longer recognise the existing nationally consistent approval framework. She has a caseload of over 450 clients and they are one of the few remaining Tasmanian workplace rehabilitation providers.

Cherie has asked: if the government is so focused on removing red tape to help her business, why has it repeatedly refused requests for meetings and requests for assistance since 2023? Why has this change been necessary given the impact on her business and the fact that there is already a national framework in place?