

# Carers' Charter

## Schedule 1, Section 5 of the *Tasmanian Carers Recognition Bill 2023*

1. Carers should be acknowledged as diverse and are to be treated as individuals with their own needs within, and beyond, their roles as carers.
2. Carers should be consulted in relation to the development and evaluation of policies and programs, and the provision of resources, as far as those policies, programs and resources affect their role as carers.
3. Carers should be empowered to access information and services that are relevant to them in their role as carers.
4. Carers should be supported to participate in, and contribute to, the social, political, economic and cultural life of Tasmania, if they so desire.
5. Carers should be recognised and respected for their valuable caring role and should be supported in accessing, and engaging in, a wide range of services to ensure their well-being and to maintain their connections to their community.
6. Carers' knowledge about the persons for whom they are caring should be respected, acknowledging that each carer, and each person being cared for, has both rights and responsibilities.
7. Carers should be able to raise concerns about decisions, and services, which affect them as carers or the persons for whom they are caring, without the carers or such persons suffering adverse repercussions, and those concerns should be dealt with as promptly as is reasonably practicable.