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The social welfare landscape has been one of significant reform over the last few years. Continued change is expected and presents the need to think differently about the delivery and design of services and supports for carers in this rapidly changing environment. The challenge for us in policy development, governance and service provision is in developing and translating innovative ideas and strategies for carer support that continue to recognise and retain the value of carers and promotes their inclusion and connection to services and to each other.

How do we future proof carer support?

To answer this the Carers NSW 2018 Biennial Conference will bring together professionals from health, ageing, disability, community and welfare services, transport, employment, education, researchers, policy makers, corporate and business leaders and representatives from all levels of government. It will provide an opportunity to explore best practice, innovation, policy, research and initiatives under the following themes:

- **Connectivity:** developing and utilising technology and innovative practice in connecting carers to services and supports, information and importantly to each other
- **Inclusion:** enhancing inclusion and promotion of choice and participation in education, employment, community and social activities
- **Resilience:** recognising and building the capabilities of carers and their networks to navigate complex service systems, and manage the financial and emotional challenges of caring

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