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Your submission for this review:

In my opinion as an experienced case manager in out of home care, there needs to be major changes to increased funding in out of home care for wages. The current set wage is fine, it's the unrealistic caseload numbers that isn't working. Increased funding to the sector under the provision of hiring of 35-40% additional staff will allow case workers to hold a much smaller case load, therefore reducing burnout/staff turnover and increasing better outcomes for children and young people. Costs and pricing increases is a short term, tick-a box solution that won't create real change to the industry.