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Developing aged care business in China Janet Spouse AAWS – September 2018 PMI Presentation

#### Introduction

- New perspective
- Ageing Well Services Business Development in China
- 'You won't help new shoots grow by pulling them up higher '- Chinese Proverb

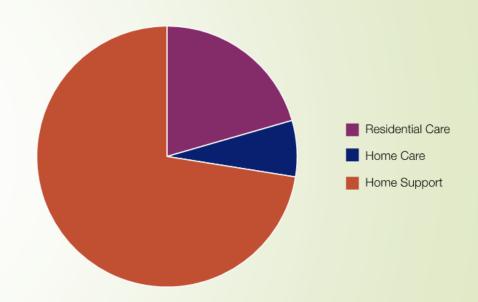




# Australian Aged Care

At 30 June 2017 there were:

- 266,700 residential care places
- 97,500 home care places
- 722, 800 people receiving Commonwealth Home Support Program services
- Total 1.08 m people
- Total Population over 70 was 2.6 m
- Total Population over 75 was 1.6 m



# Australian Residential Aged Care

- Care revenue average of \$252 per resident per day
  - Commonwealth share 75.5%
  - Consumer share 24.5%
- Costs average of \$246 per resident per day
- And likely to get worse
- Average cost of a bed in acute care \$1,500 per day

#### Challenges in Residential Aged Care

- Increasing consumer expectations Baby Boomers
- Consumer engagement Consumer Directed Care
- Maintaining qualified and trained staff
- Complex care requirements
- Ensuring financial sustainability
- Maintaining high occupancy
- Ensuring buildings & environments meet consumer care needs and expectations
- Rigorous compliance expectations and shrinking resources to manage

#### Initial concept

- Looking for Alternative Business Opportunities
- City of Charles Sturt –
  Yantai Shandong
  connection
- Aged Care interest
- Australian China Aged Care Consortium



#### Why this Market

#### Population

	2015	2030	2050
Total	1.38 b	1.42 b	1.34 b
Over 60	209 m	358 m	494 m
Over 80	22 m	41 m	120 m

- One Child Policy 1978-2015
- Life expectancy
  - **44.6** y 1950-55
  - **→** 76 y 2015- 20
- Government policy



#### Market entry

- Trade mission 2016 April
- Independent Visit
  - August 2016 link to Trade Mission
  - October 2016
  - December 2016
  - February 2017
  - May 2017 Trade Mission
  - October 2017 Expo
  - January 2018
  - April 2018
  - August 2018
- Investment Development Board
- Government enterprises
- Entrepreneurs





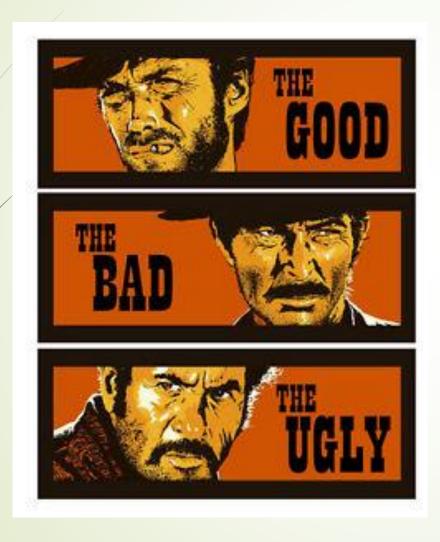


"If we pull this off, we'll eat like kings."

# Market Potential

The third visit October 2016 – the OMG Moment

#### Trade missions



By the May 2017 visit we were starting to get wise to trade missions

# First contract



# Building a company



# The big dip - January 2018



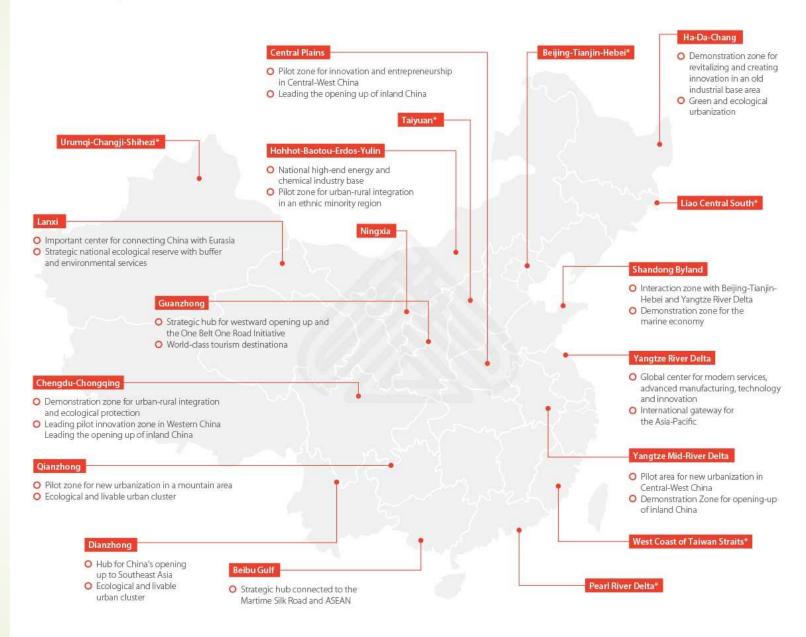






# Understanding the market better

#### China's City Cluster Plan



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# Reinvented a long term vision

- Put in place a revised strategy
- Review the business plan
- Maintain momentum
- Tighten core offering while staying flexible
- Expand market options
- Reconsider the resource allocation

# Networking

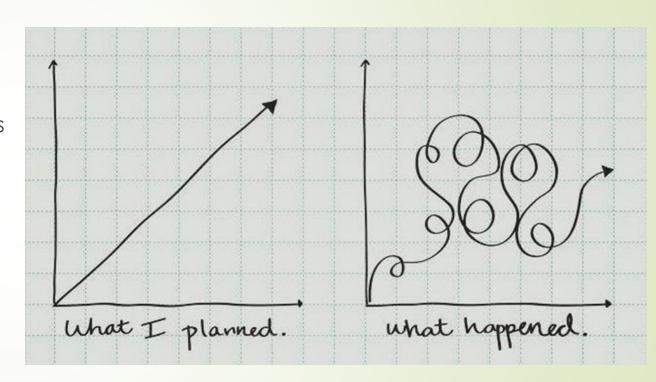
- In Australia
  - ACACC
  - AWI
  - Government
  - Chinese Business Contacts Australia
- In China
  - DTTI
  - Austrade
  - Chinese Govt Departments

# Juggling the balls



#### Project Management

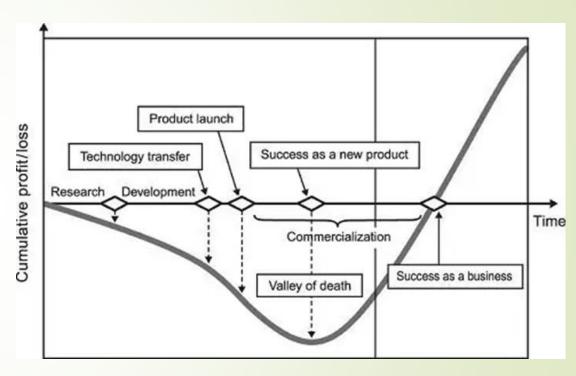
- Challenges
  - Start up was uncertain
  - Changing agenda and goals
  - Business responsiveness
- Multiple projects
  - Short time frames
  - Poorly resourced
- Developing a formal plan



#### Lessons learnt

You must be prepared to

- Develop contacts
- Travel often
- Be really flexible
- Develop cultural awareness
- Understand business practice
- Understand Chinese relationship between government and everything
- Expect your plan to be like a birth plan
- Accept that it is not easy



Osawa and Miyazaki 2006

#### The future

- Find enough income to float
- Travel seminars and Business Development
- Finding creative win-win solutions
- Explore new markets
- Stay confident
- And we have to remember that:

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