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The Public Trustee announces Queensland Wills Week, 8-11 May 2012

Peter Carne, The Public Trustee of Queensland has announced that Queensland Wills Week 2012 will be held from 8-11 May.

‘Queensland Wills Week is about ensuring all Queenslanders over 18 have a valid Enduring Power of Attorney and a valid Will,’ Peter Carne said.

‘Last year Queensland Wills Week was a great success, thanks to The Public Trustee’s dedicated staff, the Queensland media and our external stakeholders who all got on-board to help us spread the Queensland Wills Week message.

‘By 2026 Queensland is going to see one of the largest transfers of generational wealth in its history. If people fail to plan ahead, there will be an increased burden on the State’s families and the Queensland legal system,’ Mr Carne said.

Part of every Queenslander’s planning for the future should include a valid Enduring Power of Attorney that specifies who they would like to manage their personal, health and financial matters should they lose capacity to do so.

‘Every Queenslander over 18 also requires a valid Will. A Will is a living document that should be updated at key life events including marriage, divorce, entering a de-facto relationship, purchasing a property and birth of child or grandchild.

‘Planning ahead with an Enduring Power of Attorney and a Will is an important way for Queenslanders to protect their future interests and those of their loved ones,’ Peter Carne said.

‘The Public Trustee as part of Queensland Wills Week 2012, will be running free community forums, sausage sizzles, supermarket displays and other activities across the State.

Visit www.willsweek.pt.qld.gov.au for more event information, stories, facts and myths about Enduring Powers of Attorney and Wills,’ Peter Carne said.

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