From: DEWR - Budget and Strategic Policy
Sent: Monday, 20 March 2023 2:01 PM

**To:** DEWR - DLO Burke

**Cc:** s 47F(1) DEWR -

Deputy Secretary Employment and Workforce; COO Office; S 47F(1) DEWR -

**Budget and Strategic Policy** 

**Subject:** s 34(3)

**Attachments:** 

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Good afternoon,

Please see attached the current draft **Employment Budget Submission** and associated **NPPs**. We are seeking MO approval to lodge for a 2<sup>nd</sup> Exposure Draft as soon as possible.

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Thanks,

s 47F(1)

**Assistant Director** 

**Budget and Strategic Policy** 

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From: DEWR - Budget and Strategic Policy \$ 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Thursday, 16 March 2023 11:48 AM

To: DEWR - DLO Burke < DLO.Burke@mo.dewr.gov.au >

Cc: S 47F(1) DEWR - Budget and Strategic Policy

Employment and Workforces 47E(d) ; DEWR - Deputy Secretary

- Corporate s 47E(d) s 47F(1)

s 47F(1)

Subject: [For approval by Friday 17 Mar] 2023-24 Employment Budget Submission.

#### PROTECTED//CABINET

Good morning,

Please see attached the draft **covering submission** and **supporting NPPs** for the **2023-24 Employment Budget Submission**.

We are seeking MO approval to lodge for a 2<sup>nd</sup> Exposure Draft tomorrow, Friday 17 March.

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Thanks, s 47F(1) Assistant Director

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Australian Government Department of Employment and Workplace Relations s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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## **Cabinet Submission**

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From: DEWR - Budget and Strategic Policy
Sent: Wednesday, 22 March 2023 4:15 PM

To: DEWR - DLO Burke

**Cc:** S 47F(1) DEWR - Budget and Strategic Policy

**Subject:** ED comments - Employment Budget Submission

Attachments: s 34(2) Formal Comments Exposure Draft as at 3.27pm 22 March 2023.pdf; s 22(1)(a)

#### **PROTECTED**

Good afternoon s 47F(1)

I understand the MO were interested in the ED comments we have received today on the **Employment Budget Submission.** 

Please see attached the ED comments received to date, as well as a summary of key comments from central agencies (note this does not cover all comments from centrals, these can be reviewed in the attached PDF).

Thanks,

s 47F(1)

**Assistant Director** 

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s 47F(1) From:

Wednesday, 3 May 2023 4:48 PM s 47F(1) Sent:

To:

Cc:

**Subject:** RE: Latest version of BP2 measures [SEC=PROTECTED]

230503 - BP2 measures - DEWR EB.docx **Attachments:** 

#### **PROTECTED**

Hi s 47F(1)

Many thanks for sharing. s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Best

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Employment and Workplace Relations

#### **EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

#### 108430 - Employment and Workplace Relations — savings

Payments (\$m)

	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Department of Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-7.1	-6.7	-6.8	-6 9

The Government will achieve savings of [\$XX.X] million over 5 years from 2022-23 (and [\$XX.Xmillion] per year ongoing) across the Employment and Workplace Relations portfolio which will be redirected to fund other portfolio policy priorities. Savings include:  $s \ 22(1)(a)(ii)$ 

• \$22.8 million over 4 years from 2023-24 by ceasing the Entrepreneurship Facilitators Program from 1 July 2023 s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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#### ABOLISHING ENTREPRENEURSHIP FACILITATORS

Central agency green brief positions				
Finance	Treasury	PM&C		
N/A	N/A	N/A		
Rebuttal  N/A				

#### **Total Funding**

3	2023-24 (\$m)	2024-25 (\$m)	2025-26 (\$m)	2026-27 (\$m)	Total FE (\$m)
DEWR	-5.2	-5.6	-6.0	-6.0	-22.8
Total	+5.2	+5.6	+6.0	+6.0	+22.8
Departmental	E	-	-	-	-
ASL	=	=	-	-	0 <b>=</b>

#### Top three talking points:

- This measure will abolish Entrepreneurship Facilitators from 1 July 2023, achieving savings of \$22.8 million over four years.
- While assistance for individuals interested in self-employment is important, Entrepreneurship Facilitators duplicate some supports offered through Self-Employment Assistance. Self-Employment Assistance is the Government's mainstream program that assists job seekers to start their own business.
- Participants who previously accessed support through Entrepreneurship Facilitators would continue to access tailored and targeted support through Self-Employment Assistance.

#### **Short Overview**

 This proposal seeks to abolish Entrepreneurship Facilitators from 1 July 2023 with a saving of \$22.8 million over four years.

**Abolishing Entrepreneurship Facilitators** 

## Department of Employment and Workplace Relations

and Workplace Relate

#### Overview

- The Government is taking action to streamline small business assistance to minimise duplication and make it easier for participants to navigate.
- The Government will abolish Entrepreneurship Facilitators from 1 July 2023, delivering a saving of \$22.8 million over four years.
- Abolishing the program will remove duplication between Entrepreneurship Facilitators and the Self-Employment Assistance program and also duplication with state and territory government supports. s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii)

#### **Purpose**

- There are opportunities to streamline small business programs to minimise duplication and make it simpler to access support to start or continue a small business.
- The evaluation of the Entrepreneurship Facilitator initiative 2019-2020 found that Entrepreneurship Facilitators' unique service offer was valued by clients, but the evaluation was not able, to demonstrate a significant impact on small business creation.
- The Encouraging Entrepreneurship and Self-Employment Initiative 2016-2019 Evaluation Report found that Entrepreneurship Facilitators were seen by NEIS providers to directly compete with New Business Assistance with NEIS (which has now been replaced by Self-Employment Assistance).
- Given the overlap between these programs, it would be more efficient to focus assistance for those interested in self-employment through Self-Employment Assistance, rather than delivering multiple programs with similar aims and supports.
- Abolishing Entrepreneurship Facilitators will generate a saving of \$22.8 million over four years, which will be used to offset other Employment and Workplace Relations portfolio measures being considered in the 2023–24 Budget.

#### Risks, Issues and Sensitivities

- Abolishing Entrepreneurship Facilitators may be perceived as reducing place-based support for individuals at a time of economic uncertainty.
- This risk will be mitigated by the continuation of tailored self-employment support through Self-Employment Assistance (including any operational enhancements) and the availability of other place-based assistance, such as the Local Jobs Program.
- New contracts for the 22 Entrepreneurship Facilitators commenced with Workforce Australia in July 2022, with contracts due to conclude on 30 June 2025.
- Terminating these contracts early is likely to attract criticism. In this instance Government will be required to pay reasonable costs. \$ 47C

#### Q&A

- Will abolishing Entrepreneurship Facilitators reduce assistance to job seekers who want to start their own business?
  - Answer: No Individuals will continue to be able to access support through Self-Employment Assistance, including business development advice, mentoring assistance, and small business workshops through either program.
- Will this measure attract criticism from stakeholders for reducing place-based support for people interested in self-employment?
  - Answer: There is a small risk of negative commentary from stakeholders, although this can be mitigated by the continuation of tailored self-employment support



#### **Abolishing Entrepreneurship Facilitators**

through Self-Employment Assistance and the availability of other place-based assistance, such as the Local Jobs Program.

#### **Background**

- Entrepreneurship Facilitators promote and encourage self-employment and entrepreneurship. They help people to start and develop their business. They also help existing micro-business owners to keep their small business open.
- Entrepreneurship Facilitators were introduced as part of the Encouraging Entrepreneurship and Self-Employment Initiative announced in the 2016–17 Budget and expanded in the 2018-19 Budget.
- Entrepreneurship Facilitators deliver services in 22 of 23 approved locations across Australia
  and have reported assisting 2,163 participants in a Workshop, making 9,336 referrals to
  other services and providing general advice to 9,395 people.

Key contact	Clearance officer
s 47F(1)	s 47F(1)
Director/a.g Director	First Assistant Secretary
s 22(1)(a)(ii)	11 April 2023

**From:** DEWR - Budget and Strategic Policy

**Sent:** Friday, 5 May 2023 6:27 PM

**To:** s 47F(1) DEWR - Budget and Strategic Policy

**Cc:** s 47F(1) COO Office; s 47F(1) DEWR - DEWR CFO Office;

s 47F(1)

s 47F(1) DEWR - DLO Burke

**Subject:** RE: For agreement to print by 5pm Friday, 5 May: Final Secretary cleared PBS and

PAES [SEC=PROTECTED, CAVEAT=SH:CABINET]

**Attachments:** 2023.05.05 1818 - 2023-24 PBS UNDER EMBARGO.pdf

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His 47F(1)

We have actioned your changes and they are incorporated into the attached version.

Thanks,

s 47F(1)

**Assistant Director** 

**Budget and Strategic Policy** 

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PORTFOLIO BUDGET STATEMENTS 2023-24 BUDGET RELATED PAPER NO. 1.6

# EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

Budget Initiatives and Explanations of Appropriations Specified by Outcomes and Programs by Entity

#### Reviewing policies and programs to ensure quality spending

Consistent with the Government's commitment to budget repair and responsible spending, opportunities have been identified to review programs to ensure quality spending. The savings achieved will be redirected to fund other employment, skills and training, and workplace relations programs. These include: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

 \$22.8 million over four years from 2023–24 by ceasing the Entrepreneurship Facilitators program from 1 July 2023

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This webinar and we're going to have a presentation on workforce specialists and then a budget update from the department.

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s 47F(1)

So I guess I'll start leading on from s 47F(1) interaction about the budget.

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s 47F(1)

So we did have two measures up in the budget, which the first one is s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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s 47F(1)

The second one is the C-section of the Entrepreneurship facilitator program.

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s 47F(1)

So the purpose of these measures is to target and better streamline and target.

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s 47F(1)

I'm small business assistance and it's a chance to better align with the current economic and labour market conditions while ensuring that there's still support available for new and existing businesses.

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It also helps remove a lot of duplication between the two programs that I run.

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s 47F(1)

The s 22(1)(a)(ii) Entrepreneurship Facilitator program, as well as a lot of other federal, state, territory and private sector support that I know that we had a quite a lengthy discussion in the NSW presentation about how much support there is.

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s 47F(1)

I'm out there for for self employment, so that was the purpose of these measures.

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s 47F(1)

I understand that the tennis released at the same time it was a decision that the previous government to do the both programs and a decision of this government to seize it because of the duplication. s 22(1)(a)(ii)



## **Self-Employment Assistance**

s 47F(1)

Director, Self-Employment Services

Department of Employment and Workplace Relations



## Department of Employment and Workplace Relations - Released under FOI - LEX 670 Budget Weasures

- 'Ceasing Entrepreneurship Facilitators'
  - Cease Entrepreneurship Facilitators from 1 July 2023
    - Aligns with historic program take-up

**From:** s 47F(1)

Sent: Wednesday, 10 May 2023 8:41 AM

**To:** s 47F(1) **Cc:** s 47F(1)

**Subject:** Ent Facilitator advice [SEC=PROTECTED, CAVEAT=SH:CABINET]

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Dears 47F(1)

As discussed we've got our state folk making direct calls to Entrepreneurship Facilitators this morning (advice to network below) and tomorrow we have the CEO forum where 47F(1) will cover the decision, and the next steps in terms of reasonable costs framework.

Kind regards s 47F(1)

s 47F(1)

First Assistant Secretary

Workforce Australia for Business Employment and Workforce Group |

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From: s 47F(1)

Sent: Tuesday, 9 May 2023 12:51 PM

**To:** S 47F(1) s 47F(1)

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**DEWR - AM Secretariat** 

Subject: EMBARGOED until Wednesday, 10 May 2023 [SEC=PROTECTED, CAVEAT=SH:CABINET]

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Hi all,

#### PLEASE NOT FOR ACTION OR BROADER DISCUSSION BEFORE TOMORROW MORNING

As part of tonight's Budget papers the Government will be announcing the cessation of the Entrepreneurship Facilitator program from 1 July 2023.

My team has consulted with the program Strategic Leads and decided all Facilitators should be first contacted by the provider lead **before 1pm Wednesday 12 May**.

Could you please reach out to your respective facilitators using the below talking points and let  $^{s}$   $^{47F(1)}$  s  $^{47F(1)}$  know once this has occurred, with any commentary on the conversation if required.

If you have any concerns or questions, please reach out to \$47F(1) to discuss.

Thanks, s 47F(1)

#### **Talking Points**

- As part of Budget, Government announced the cessation of Entrepreneurship Facilitators from 1 July 2023.
- Assistance for individuals interested in self-employment remains very important, this measure will better
  align self-employment support to current economic and labour market conditions, while ensuring access to
  all participants who choose to explore self-employment to commence or run a small business.
- This measure will also remove duplication of small business supports offered through federal, state and territory governments and services available through the private sector.
- Participants wishing to access assistance to start or run a small business will continue to be assisted and receive tailored and targeted support through Self-Employment Assistance.
- Facilitators are required to continue to deliver services under the Deed until 30 June, including the delivery of all core workshops and submission of Quarterly Service Report and Monthly data in July, which will trigger the April June quarterly payment.
- Further advice will be sent next week, but the department is committed to consulting on a Reasonable Cost Framework for any reasonable and unavoidable costs incurred.
- Facilitators are required to mitigate all losses, costs, and expenses under the Deed.
- We appreciate this may be a challenging time for you and your staff and will work closely with you through the transition process.
- We thank you for the services you have delivered over the past year, or since 2016 when the pilot program commenced.

Regards,

s 47F(1) Assistant Secretary

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**From:** s 47F(1)

**Sent:** Friday, 12 May 2023 4:35 PM

**To:** s 47F(1)

Cc: s 47F(1) DEWR - DLO Burke; s 47F(1)

Subject: Entrepreneurship Facilitators Notice of Termination

Attachments: EF termination sample.docx; Important information for Entrepreneurship Facilitators

Hi s 47F(1

I just wanted to give you a heads-up that the Department has sent out the Notice of Termination letters. I have attached an example for visibility.

I have followed this up with the attached email inviting providers/facilitators to consult on the Reasonable Cost Framework, communications products, and timeframes.

As always, happy to discuss.

Thanks, s 47F(1)

Director (a/g)

Self-Employment Services | National Workforce Solutions Branch Workforce Australia for Business Australian Government Department of Employment and Workplace Relations Phone s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Our Reference EF0000

A/g National Contract Manager s 47F(1)

Salutation Name Company Name Address

Email:

**Dear Salutation Name** 

Notice under clause 57.1- Termination of

Workforce Australia - Entrepreneurship Facilitator Program Deed 2022 – 2025

I am writing in relation to the *Workforce Australia - Entrepreneurship Facilitator Program Deed 2022 – 2025* (the Deed) between the Commonwealth of Australia, as represented by the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (the Department) and Company Name (ACN 12345) (Your Organisation).

As set out in the Department's post-Budget CEO letter issued to providers on 11 May 2023, the Entrepreneurship Facilitator Program will cease on 30 June 2023. This was a Government decision to better align self-employment support to current economic and labour market conditions, while ensuring access to participants who choose to explore self-employment to commence or run a small business.

#### Termination

Clause 57.1 of the Deed provides that the Department may, at its absolute discretion, at any time by Notice to the Provider, terminate the Deed.

The Department hereby Notifies Your Organisation under clause 57.1, that the Deed will be terminated, effective on 30 June 2023.

#### Effect of termination

Clause 57 of the Deed relevantly provides:

- 57.2 If this Deed is terminated under clause 57.1, the Department is only liable:
  - (a) to make Payments as specified in clause 57.3; and
  - (b) subject to clauses 57.6, 57.7 and 57.8, for any reasonable, unavoidable costs actually incurred by the Provider and directly attributable to the termination of this Deed.

- 57.3 Where the Department terminates this Deed under clause 57.1:
  - (a) subject to clause 57.3(d), the Department will only be liable to make Payments that are properly due to the Provider before the date on which the termination takes effect;
  - (b) any Payments that are:
    - (i) Payments in advance; and
    - (ii) due after the Provider receives the relevant Notice issued by the Department under clause 57.1, but before the date on which the termination takes effect, will, as determined by the Department at its absolute discretion, abate to the extent that they relate to the conduct of the Services after the date on which the termination takes effect;
  - (c) the Department will be entitled to recover from the Provider any Payments that have been paid in advance that relate to the Services to be performed after the date on which the termination takes effect; and
  - (d) the Department will only be liable to pay any Reimbursement to the Provider to the extent that the Provider legally committed the relevant monies before the Provider received the relevant Notice issued by the Department under clause 57.1.

...

- 57.6 The Department's liability to pay under this clause 57 is subject to the Provider's:
  - (a) strict compliance with this clause 57; and
  - (b) full and proper substantiation, to the Department's complete satisfaction, of any amounts claimed under clause 57.3 or 57.4.
- 57.7 The Department will not be liable under this clause 57 to pay any amounts for, or in connection with:
  - (a) any loss of the Provider's prospective profits attributable to the termination under this clause 57;
  - (b) any loss of any benefits that would have been conferred on the Provider had the termination under this clause 57 not occurred; or
  - (c) any amounts that would, in aggregate, exceed the maximum Payments that would have been payable by the Department under this Deed in respect of the relevant Services, but for a termination under this clause 57.
- 57.8 In addition, the Department will not be liable to pay the Provider, and the Provider agrees that its reasonable costs do not include:
  - (a) any amounts owed by the Provider under any contract of employment or to any of its Subcontractors or Third Party IT Vendors; and
  - (b) payment of any liabilities arising from commitments the Provider has made in relation to the conduct of the Services beyond the end of the Financial Year in which the termination takes place.

### Provider obligations relating to the termination

Clause 57.5 of the Deed relevantly provides:

Upon receipt of a Notice of termination under clause 57.1, the Provider must:

- (a) cease or reduce the performance of this Deed in accordance with the Notice;
- (b) not legally commit any further monies in connection with the Services;

- (c) immediately return to the Department any Payments that the Department is entitled to recover under clause 57.3(c);
- (d) immediately do everything possible to mitigate all losses, costs and expenses, arising from the termination referred to in the Notice;

...

### Your Organisation must:

- not develop or submit a proposed work plan in relation to each EFR for the 2023/24
   Financial Year under clause 83.1(a) of the Deed effective immediately and cease
   performing all other Services on 30 June 2023 in accordance with clause 57.5(a) of
   the Deed;
- comply with the requirement specified in clause 57.5(b) noting Your Organisation will be continuing to perform the Services, subject to this Notice, until 30 June 2023;
- immediately comply with the requirements specified in clauses 57.5 (c) and (d) of the Deed;
- in accordance with clause 13.1(b) of the Deed, submit to the Department the
  Quarterly Services Report in relation to the 1 April 2023 to 30 June 2023 Financial
  Quarter for each EFR under clause 85.1 of the Deed, by 21 July 2023 for the
  Department's approval;
- in accordance with clause 13.1(b) of the Deed, submit to the Department the Monthly Data Report in relation to June 2023 under clause 86.1 of the Deed, by 21 July 2023 for the Department's approval;
- in accordance with clause 32.6 of the Deed, deliver to the Department a copy of any Deed Material and Commonwealth Material in Your Organisation's possession or control, and in the possession or control of any of Your Organisation's Personnel or Subcontractors, including that stored in External IT Systems by 31 August 2023 or deal with the Material as otherwise directed by the Department;
- in accordance with clauses 13.1(b) and 36.4 of the Deed and the Records
   Management Instructions, transfer all Records to the Department by 31 August 2023
   including but not limited to, all Records and Personal Information relating to
   Participants;
- in accordance with clause 17 of the Deed provide sufficient assistance and cooperation to the Department and any person nominated by the Department to enable services to continue to be provided to any Participant in an efficient and orderly manner on the termination of the Deed;
- in accordance with clause 13.1(b) of the Deed, do all things necessary to ensure that Access to the Department's IT Systems is terminated in respect of the Deed for Your Organisation, its Personnel, and/or any Subcontractor, Third Party IT Vendor, External IT System and/or other entity by 31 August 2023; and
- where appropriate, terminate any relevant Subcontracts and arrangements with Third Party IT Vendors in accordance with clauses 31.8A.2 and 50.10(a) of the Deed.

### Payments and reasonable costs

Pursuant to clause 57.2(a) of the Deed and subject to Your Organisation's compliance with this Notice and the Deed, the Department will pay Your Organisation the Quarterly Services Payment for the 1 April 2023 to 30 June 2023 Financial Quarter the day after the Department has Notified Your Organisation of its approval of the Quarterly Services Report, which is now due on 21 July 2023 as specified above.

For the avoidance of doubt, as Your Organisation has been Notified that it must not develop or submit a Work Plan in relation to the 23/24 Financial Year, the Department will not be liable to pay Your Organisation a Work Plan Payment for that Financial Year under clause 88.1 of the Deed.

If Your Organisation decides to submit a claim for reasonable costs in accordance with clause 57.2(b) of the Deed, Your Organisation must demonstrate that any costs claimed have been actually incurred and are reasonable, unavoidable, and directly attributable to the termination of the Deed. Your Organisation must also have regard to the limits on the Department's liability to pay any reasonable costs under clause 57. The Department will assess any claims for costs against a Reasonable Costs Framework.

Please note that the Department is currently working on arrangements related to the termination, including developing a Reasonable Cost Framework. More information about the process will be communicated to Your Organisation by the start of July 2023, with a virtual forum to hosted in early June, an invite will be emailed separately.

Please note that a number of obligations under the Deed survive termination, including those listed in clause 4 of the Deed (which include any provisions that are expressly specified as surviving or by implication from their nature are intended to continue).

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact <a href="mailto:Entrepreneurship@dewr.gov.au">Entrepreneurship@dewr.gov.au</a>.

Yours sincerely,

s 47F(1) A/g National Contract Manager 12 May 2023

<u>DEWR - Entrepreneurship</u> <u>DEWR - Entrepreneurship</u> From:

Subject: Important information for Entrepreneurship Facilitators

Friday, 12 May 2023 3:42:53 PM

Attachments

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To Entrepreneurship Facilitators,

The Department is holding a virtual forum for Facilitators to discuss the recent budget announcement including a Reasonable Costs Framework for unavoidable costs actually incurred by the Provider. The forum also offers an opportunity to discuss transition arrangements, timeframes and address questions

#### The Entrepreneurship Facilitator virtual forum will be held on Friday 16 June 2023 at 11 am Canberra time. Links to access the online session are included at the end of this email.

Prior to the online forum and to inform discussions, the following material will be circulated to Entrepreneurship Facilitators:

- Draft Reasonable Cost Framework
- Advice for Participants
- Advice for Stakeholders
- Transition Checklist
- Timeline of Events

The Department will circulate the following information to Entrepreneurship Facilitators according to the timeline below:

The above material will be circulated for Provider consideration

 16 lune Virtual forum

 Week of 3 July: Reasonable Cost Framework, with a request for claims sent to Providers with a due date of 31 August

#### **Entrepreneurship Facilitator Reports**:

- April Monthly Data Reports due to the Department by 12 May 2023
   May Monthly Data Reports due to the Department by 15 June 2023
- April- June Quarterly Service Reports and June Monthly Data reports due to the Department by 21 July 2023.
- QSR payments will be processed following the Department's approval of the April-June QSR.

Correspondence relating to the above information can be directed to your Provider Lead or sent to: Entrepreneurship@dewr.gov.au.

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Kind regards,

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# s 47F(1)

**From:** s 47F(1)

**Sent:** Thursday, 20 April 2023 12:11 PM

 To:
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 Cc:
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 Subject:
 \$ 22(1)(a)(ii)

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His 47F(1)

# s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Further, in relation to **Entrepreneurship Facilitators**, we suggest an early announcement will be important (this was in the original NPP).

- The department will be liable under the Deed with providers to pay reasonable costs associated with the early cessation of the program.
- Communicating the termination of the program as early as possible, limits the risk providers have made new financial commitments into the 23-24 financial year which they seek to recover from the department.
- Early announcement would assist to limit the quantum of government's liability when settling reasonable costs associated with the early termination of the program with exiting providers.

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Happy to discuss!

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