

Stillbirth autopsies and investigations

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT - HEALTH

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule

Parties	Commonwealth New South Wales Victoria Queensland Western Australia South Australia Tasmania Australian Capital Territory Northern Territory																																																																																				
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2027, or on completion of the initiative, including acceptance of final performance reporting and processing of final payments.																																																																																				
Purpose	Under this Schedule, states will deliver an increase in the perinatal loss workforce in each state and territory through the employment of perinatal pathologists, loss coordinators and related workforce, and address financial barriers parents face if travel is required for stillbirth autopsies / investigations.																																																																																				
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Table 2A: New South Wales – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Implementation Plan	Project planning complete. Plan to address: <ul style="list-style-type: none">o Recruitment plan for perinatal loss workforceo Transport support plano Identification of risks and mitigation strategieso Benefits to be realised / success measureso Collaboration arrangements with other states/territories (if relevant)o Governance arrangements	24/05/2023	\$1,032,000
Progress report 1	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from execution of the agreement to 30 April 2024, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2024	\$1,051,000
Progress report 2	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2024 to 30 April 2025, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2025	\$1,063,000
Progress report 3	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2025 to 30 March 2026, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/04/2026	\$1,063,000
Final Report	Final Report submitted summarising activities undertaken over the period 30 April 2023 to 30 April 2027. The Final Report may include <ul style="list-style-type: none">o An analysis of benefits realised and success measures achieved through the measure including benchmarks for future activitieso Yearly review of progress over the previous 12 months including reporting on Implementation Plan completeo A general statement on funds expenditure	30/06/2027	N/A

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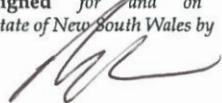


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Minister for Health and Regional Health

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Table 2B: Victoria – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output (delete if the schedule has one output only)	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Implementation Plan	<p>Project planning complete. Plan to address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recruitment plan for perinatal loss workforce ○ Transport support plan ○ Identification of risks and mitigation strategies ○ Benefits to be realised / success measures ○ Collaboration arrangements with other states/territories (if relevant) ○ Governance arrangements 	24/05/2023	\$880,000
Progress report 1	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from execution of the agreement to 30 April 2024, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2024	\$899,000
Progress report 2	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2024 to 30 April 2025, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2025	\$911,000
Progress report 3	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2025 to 30 March 2026, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/04/2026	\$911,000
Final Report	<p>Final Report submitted summarising activities undertaken over the period 30 April 2023 to 30 April 2027. The Final Report may include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ An analysis of benefits realised and success measures achieved through the measure including benchmarks for future activities ○ Yearly review of progress over the previous 12 months including reporting on Implementation Plan complete ○ A general statement on funds expenditure 	30/06/2027	N/A

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Table 2C: Queensland – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output (delete if the schedule has one output only)	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Implementation Plan	Project planning complete. Plan to address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recruitment plan for perinatal loss workforce ○ Transport support plan ○ Identification of risks and mitigation strategies ○ Benefits to be realised / success measures ○ Collaboration arrangements with other states/territories (if relevant) ○ Governance arrangements 	24/05/2023	\$751,000
Progress report 1	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from execution of the agreement to 30 April 2024, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2024	\$771,000
Progress report 2	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2024 to 30 April 2025, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2025	\$783,000
Progress report 3	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2025 to 30 March 2026, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/04/2026	\$783,000
Final Report	Final Report submitted summarising activities undertaken over the period 30 April 2023 to 30 April 2027. The Final Report may include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ An analysis of benefits realised and success measures achieved through the measure including benchmarks for future activities ○ Yearly review of progress over the previous 12 months including reporting on Implementation Plan complete ○ A general statement on funds expenditure 	30/06/2027	N/A

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Table 2D: Western Australia – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output (delete if the schedule has one output only)	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Implementation Plan	Project planning complete. Plan to address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recruitment plan for perinatal loss workforce ○ Transport support plan ○ Identification of risks and mitigation strategies ○ Benefits to be realised / success measures ○ Collaboration arrangements with other states/territories (if relevant) ○ Governance arrangements 	24/05/2023	\$503,000
Progress report 1	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from execution of the agreement to 30 April 2024, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2024	\$521,000
Progress report 2	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2024 to 30 April 2025, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2025	\$536,000
Progress report 3	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2025 to 30 March 2026, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/04/2026	\$536,000
Final Report	Final Report submitted summarising activities undertaken over the period 30 April 2023 to 30 April 2027. The Final Report may include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ An analysis of benefits realised and success measures achieved through the measure including benchmarks for future activities ○ Yearly review of progress over the previous 12 months including reporting on Implementation Plan complete ○ A general statement on funds expenditure 	30/06/2027	N/A

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Table 2E: South Australia – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output (delete if the schedule has one output only)	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Implementation Plan	Project planning complete. Plan to address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recruitment plan for perinatal loss workforce ○ Transport support plan ○ Identification of risks and mitigation strategies ○ Benefits to be realised / success measures ○ Collaboration arrangements with other states/territories (if relevant) ○ Governance arrangements 	24/05/2023	\$409,000
Progress report 1	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from execution of the agreement to 30 April 2024, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2024	\$428,000
Progress report 2	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2024 to 30 April 2025, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2025	\$440,000
Progress report 3	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2025 to 30 March 2026, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/04/2026	\$441,000
Final Report	Final Report submitted summarising activities undertaken over the period 30 April 2023 to 30 April 2027. The Final Report may include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ An analysis of benefits realised and success measures achieved through the measure including benchmarks for future activities ○ Yearly review of progress over the previous 12 months including reporting on Implementation Plan complete ○ A general statement on funds expenditure 	30/06/2027	N/A

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Table 2F: Tasmania – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output (delete if the schedule has one output only)	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Implementation Plan	Project planning complete. Plan to address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recruitment plan for perinatal loss workforce ○ Transport support plan ○ Identification of risks and mitigation strategies ○ Benefits to be realised / success measures ○ Collaboration arrangements with other states/territories (if relevant) ○ Governance arrangements 	24/05/2023	\$286,000
Progress report 1	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from execution of the agreement to 30 April 2024, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2024	\$305,000
Progress report 2	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2024 to 30 April 2025, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2025	\$318,000
Progress report 3	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2025 to 30 March 2026, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/04/2026	\$320,000
Final Report	Final Report submitted summarising activities undertaken over the period 30 April 2023 to 30 April 2027. The Final Report may include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ An analysis of benefits realised and success measures achieved through the measure including benchmarks for future activities ○ Yearly review of progress over the previous 12 months including reporting on Implementation Plan complete ○ A general statement on funds expenditure 	30/06/2027	N/A

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Table 2H: Northern Territory – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output (delete if the schedule has one output only)	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Implementation Plan	Project planning complete. Plan to address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recruitment plan for perinatal loss workforce ○ Transport support plan ○ Identification of risks and mitigation strategies ○ Benefits to be realised / success measures ○ Collaboration arrangements with other states/territories (if relevant) ○ Governance arrangements 	24/05/2023	\$254,000
Progress report 1	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from execution of the agreement to 30 April 2024, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2024	\$274,000
Progress report 2	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2024 to 30 April 2025, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2025	\$286,000
Progress report 3	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2025 to 30 March 2026, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/04/2026	\$288,000
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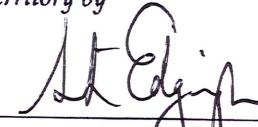


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Table 2G: Australian Capital Territory – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

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Progress report 1	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from execution of the agreement to 30 April 2024, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2024	\$294,000
Progress report 2	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2024 to 30 April 2025, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/05/2025	\$306,000
Progress report 3	Yearly review of progress, covering the period from 1 May 2025 to 30 March 2026, including reporting on Implementation Plan complete	15/04/2026	\$308,000
Final Report	<p>Final Report submitted summarising activities undertaken over the period 30 April 2023 to 30 April 2027. The Final Report may include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o An analysis of benefits realised and success measures achieved through the measure including benchmarks for future activities o Yearly review of progress over the previous 12 months including reporting on Implementation Plan complete o A general statement on funds expenditure 	30/06/2027	N/A

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