



THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SELECT COMMITTEE ON WORKFORCE AUSTRALIA EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Inquiry into Workforce Australia Employment Services

**PUBLIC HEARING
Friday 11 November 2022**

**Committee Room 1R3
Parliament House, Canberra, and by videoconference**

Time	Witness
9.45 am	Panel - academic and policy experts: Dr Ann Nevile Associate Professor Elise Klein Dr Katherine Curchin Dr Eve Vincent (by videoconference)
10.55 am	Break
11.15 am	Panel - ParentsNext servicing: Volunteering Australia Mr Mark Pearce, Chief Executive Officer Goodstart Early Learning Ms Kelly Millar (by videoconference), National Social Policy Manager
12.00 pm	Panel: advocacy, policy, and social welfare: Economic Justice Australia Ms Linda Forbes (by videoconference), Law Reform Officer Economic Justice Australia Mr 'Sam' Simon Tracy (by videoconference), Practice Director, Basic Rights Queensland Brotherhood of St Laurence Dr Travers McLeod (by videoconference), Executive Director Dr Dina Bowman (by videoconference), Principal Research Fellow, Work and Economic Security Mrs Penny Bohm, Project Manager Ms Rebecca Pinney Meddings, Senior Manager, Financial Inclusion
1.00 pm	Break

1.30 pm	<p>Panel: Commonwealth Departments:</p> <p>Department of Employment and Workplace Relations Ms Benedikte Jensen, First Assistant Secretary, Employment Policy and Analytics Ms Robyn Shannon, First Assistant Secretary, Workforce Australia Provider Support Ms Carmel O'Regan, Assistant Secretary, Targeted Employment Policy Ms Samantha Robertson, Assistant Secretary, Employment Services Programs Ms Deborah Brown, Assistant Secretary (A/g), Workforce Australia Inquiry Taskforce Dr Andrew Wright, Director, Targeted Employment Policy</p> <p>Department of Social Services Mr Matt Flavel, Deputy Secretary, Social Security Ms Jo Evans, Group Manager, Participation and Family Payments Mr Ben Peoples, Branch Manager, Participation and Supplementary Payments</p> <p>Services Australia Ms Cathy Toze, General Manager, Income Management and Targeted Services Mr Eric Harper, General Manager (A/g), Working Age Programmes Ms Juleigh Cook, National Manager, Disability Pension and Parenting Payment Mr Robert Hall, National Manager (A/g), Participation Programmes and Compliance</p>
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