

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**2010-11 Supplementary Estimates Hearings**

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**Question No:** 117

**Topic:** Income Management evaluation process

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**Senator Siewert** asked:

The framework for the evaluation will be released publicly for comment. It is going out for October. When will comments close?

**Answer:**

The evaluation framework for the new model of income management was prepared by a consortium of researchers from the Social Policy Research Centre, the Australian Institute of Family Studies and the Australian National University (Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research and the Research School of Economics).

The framework was developed in close consultation with government and non-government think tank reference groups. In a workshop setting during July and August 2010, the think tank reference groups were invited to comment on the evaluation strategy for new income management. Comments and feedback were subsequently incorporated into a revised version of this document.

In October 2010, the government and non-government think tank reference groups, the New Income Management Evaluation Steering Committee, and the Australian Social Inclusion Board were invited to comment on the revised evaluation strategy. Comments on the draft framework closed Friday 29 October 2010.

This additional feedback has also been incorporated into the final framework that has been submitted for endorsement to the FaHCSIA New Income Management Evaluation Steering Committee.