Attachment A – Rates as at 20 September – 31 December 2011

Payment type	Fortnightly Payment (Maximum rate)	Income test (per fortnight)	Assets Test	Pensioner Concession or Health Care Card	Carer Payment Supplement \$600 (annual)	Child Disability Assistance Payment \$1,000 (annual)	Rent Assistance	Education Entry Payment \$208 (annual)	Pensioner Education Supplement \$62.40 (per fortnight)	Bereavement provisions
Carer Payment No age restriction	Single \$689.00 Member of a Couple \$519.40 These amount exclude the max rate of Pension Supplement;  Single \$59.90 Member of a Couple combined \$90.20	Pensioner income test Single For full pension Up to \$150.00 For part pension Less than \$1647.60 Couple (combined) For full pension Up to \$264.00 For part pension Less than \$2522.00	For Homeowners Single \$186 750 Couple (combined) \$265 000 For Non Homeowners Single \$321 750 Couple (combined) \$400 000	PCC	Yes	Only payable if carer is in receipt of Carer Allowance (child)	Yes Refer to Table 2 below (same as Newstart Allowance)	Yes Must qualify for Pensioner Education Supplement (PES) paid under the Social Security Act and had not previously received an Education Entry Payment (EdEP) in the current calendar year. Only one EdEP per calendar year and only in the year qualified for PES	Yes	Continuation of Carer Payment for 14 week bereavement provision where person cared for dies. An entitlement to a lump sum bereavement payment may be payable in certain circumstance.
Newstart Allowance Aged 21 or over and under age pension age  Unless exempted, must participate in or be willing to participate in approved activities and/or JobSearch.	Single, no children \$486.80 Single with dependent child(ren) \$526.60 Single, aged 60 or over, after nine months continuous months on payment \$526.60 Partnered (each) \$439.40 Single, principal carer of a dependent child (granted an exemption for foster caring/home schooling/distance education/large family) \$641.5	Income test Single, no children For full Allowance Up to \$62 For part Allowance Less than \$904.67 Single, aged 60 or over, after nine months continuous months on payment For full Allowance Up to \$62 For part Allowance Less than \$981.00 Single, with dependent child(ren) For full Allowance Up to \$62 For part Allowance Less than \$981.00 Partnered (each) Up to \$62 For part Allowance Less than \$981.00 Partnered (each) Up to \$62 For part Allowance	For Homeowners Single \$186 750 Couple (combined) \$400 000 For Non Homeowners Single \$321 750 Couple (combined) \$400 000	HCC - unless the single principal carers of a dependent child aged under 16 and people assessed as having a partial capacity to work may be eligible for a PPC.	No - May have an entitlement to \$600 Carer Supplement if in receipt of Carer Allowance	Only payable if carer is in receipt of Carer Allowance (child)	Yes Refer to Table 2 below (same as Carer Payment)	Yes, if immediately before starting the course of education the person had been in receipt of an income support payment continuously for 12 months or more.	No	Depending on relationship of the Newstart Allowance recipient they may have an entitlement of a maximum 14 week Bereavement Allowance.