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| Human Services Standards Funding Contribution - Disability Services  17079 |
| Outcome objective: Victorians are healthy and well  Output group: Disability Services  Output: Client Services And Capacity |

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**1. Service objective**

This activity is a funding contribution towards the cost of independent reviews against the Human Services Standards (Standards) (gazetted as Department of Health and Human Services Standards).

As there is insufficient funding to fully cover the cost of reviews against the Standards, a simple funding formula was developed which could be applied easily across all organisations in scope for a review.  
This formula is used to determine the contribution to be made to organisations and allows fair distribution of the available funds.  
The contribution considers the size of the organisation, initial accreditation, a mid-cycle review and the number of locations through which services are delivered. It is made in addition to operating cost components already in the various activity funding arrangements.  
Payments are made through SAMS2, in three equal annual instalments, over the Service Agreement period.  
Where an organisation is funded for multiple service types, payment will be made through the output group which reflects the activity the organisation receives the most funding for.

**2. Description of the service**

Provision of funding to contribute towards the cost of independent review of organisations in scope of the Standards.

**3. Client group**

The client groups this activity is targeted at are department funded organisations which receive funding in scope of independent review, including those registered under the Disability Act 2006 and/or Children, Youth and Families Act 2005. These organisations deliver direct client services and are required to:

* undertake an independent review and achieve accreditation against the Standards every three-year, regardless of the number of departmental activities they are funded to provide
* achieve and maintain accreditation against the Standards.

**4. Obligations specific to this activity**

In addition to the obligations listed in the Service Agreement, organisations funded to deliver this activity must comply with the following:

**4a. Registration and Accreditation**

N/A

**4b. Program requirements and other policy guidelines**

* [Client file audit tool](http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/about-the-department/documents-and-resources/policies,-guidelines-and-legislation/human-services-standards)

<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/about-the-department/documents-and-resources/policies,-guidelines-and-legislation/human-services-standards>

* [Human Services Standards evidence guide](http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/about-the-department/documents-and-resources/policies,-guidelines-and-legislation/human-services-standards)

<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/about-the-department/documents-and-resources/policies,-guidelines-and-legislation/human-services-standards>

* [Human Services Standards policy](https://providers.dffh.vic.gov.au/human-services-standards-policy)

<https://providers.dffh.vic.gov.au/human-services-standards-policy>

* [Staff volunteer and carer file audit tool](http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/about-the-department/documents-and-resources/policies,-guidelines-and-legislation/human-services-standards)

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**5. Performance**

Funding is subject to achieving the performance targets specified in Schedule 2 of the Service Agreement.

Performance is measured as follows:

This activity has no prescribed performance measures

**6. Data collection**

The reporting requirements for this service are:

This activity has no associated data collections

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