

External Facilitators: Financial incentives to deliver programs in Far Western NSW

Factsheet

In line with the Premier's Priority to Reduce Domestic Violence Reoffending by 5% by 2019 Corrective Services NSW received funding to engage external facilitators to deliver CSNSW programs to offenders on the organisations behalf. The project has state-wide scope with CSNSW offender programs being delivered across custodial and community corrections NSW.

Who is eligible?

A financial incentive of between 20% and 30% of the standard program of \$6400 may be available to external program facilitators who meet the following criteria:

- The program is in a named far Western NSW location identified in band 1 or 2 (see below)
- The distance travelled from the normal place of residence to the program location exceeds 120km each way.

1. Program Location

To determine the eligible percentage of remuneration, the Western region of NSW is divided in into two bands.

Band 1 (Figure 1)

Programs delivered in this geographical region may be eligible for an additional allowance of 20% (up to \$1280) of the current flat fee.

Eligible Local Government Area's (LGAs) include: Moree Plains, Walgett, Narrabri, Bogan, Warren Coonamble, Warrumbungle Shire, Gunnedah, Gilgandra, Narromine, Lachlan, Parkes, Forbes, Bland, Carrathool, Griffith, Hay, Murrumbidgee, Edward River, Murray River and Berrigan.

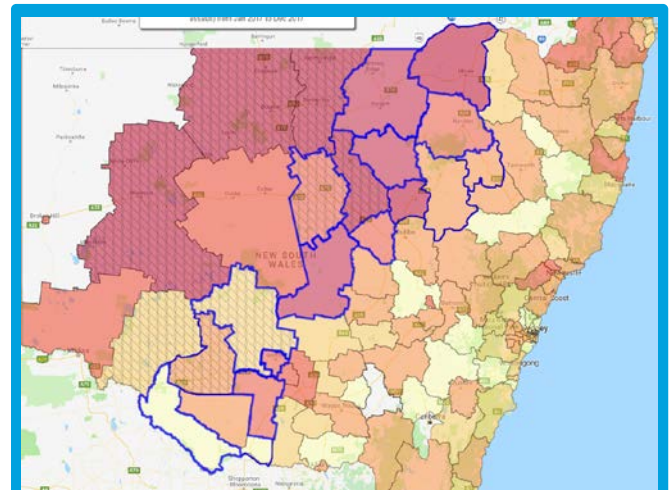


Figure 1. (source: <http://crimetool.bocsar.nsw.gov.au/bocsar/>)

Band 2 (Figure 2)

Programs delivered in this geographical region may be eligible for an additional allowance of 30% (up to \$1920) of the current flat fee.

Eligible Local Government Area's (LGAs): Bourke, Brewarrina, Central Darling, Bogan, Cobar, Wentworth, Balranald and Broken Hill (Unincorporated).

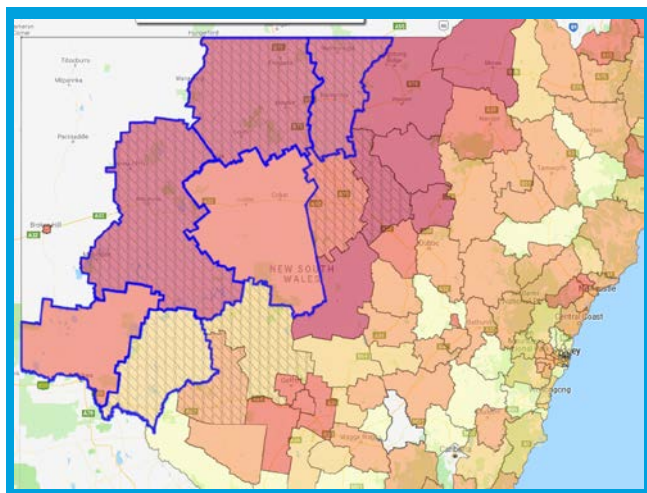


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2. Distance

If a facilitator is required to travel in excess of 120km from their normal place of residence, they may be eligible for an additional allowance of 20% or 30% of the current flat fee (\$6400)

Additional information

How can these funds be used?

It would be at the facilitator's discretion as to how they choose to utilise the additional payment.

How is my eligibility recorded?

It must be specified in the work order where an external facilitator is entitled this additional incentive.

How is this applied?

Regional Support Managers (RSM), Managers of Programs and Services (MOSP) and Community Corrections Managers are encouraged to schedule as many programs as reasonable for all parties.

This schedule will adhere to current policy with each 20-session program delivered over a 10 week period. This can be accelerated but cannot be completed in less than five weeks. Please note, no more than four EQUIPS sessions can be delivered in a one week period.

How often can I claim the incentive?

External facilitators will be paid the additional travel incentive once per block of EQUIPS programs and NOT PER program run in the same office/location. For example, a facilitator travelling from Sydney to Broken Hill for a period of five weeks to run two EQUIPS programs will receive 2 x \$6400 for the delivery of 2 x 20 session programs but 1 x \$1920 for travel totalling \$14,720.

How do I invoice for the Incentive?

If eligible you will receive a separate purchase order to invoice against for this incentive.

For more information

For more please contact the State-wide program team on offenderprogramsunit@justice.nsw.gov.au

Or visit

<http://www.correctiveservices.justice.nsw.gov.au/Pages/CorrectiveServices/programs/offender-services-and-programs/external-program-facilitators.aspx>