



Families and Communities Supporting Adolescent Boys Trial Grant Opportunity Guidelines

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1. Families and Communities: Supporting Adolescent Boys Trial

The Families and Communities program is designed to achieve Australian Government objectives.

This grant opportunity is part of the Supporting Adolescent Boys Trial program which contributes to the Department of Social Services' Outcome 2 – Families and Communities. The Department of Social Services works with stakeholders to plan and design the grant program according to the [Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines 2017 \(CGRGs\)](https://www.finance.gov.au/government/commonwealth-grants/commonwealth-grants-rules-and-guidelines)¹.



The grant opportunity opens

We publish the grant guidelines on the [GrantConnect](#) website.



You complete and submit a grant application

You complete the application form and address all of the eligibility and assessment criteria to be considered for a grant.



We assess all grant applications

We assess the applications against eligibility criteria and notify you if you are not eligible. If you are eligible, we then assess your eligible application against the assessment criteria including an overall consideration of value with money and compare it to other applications.



We make grant recommendations

We provide advice, through the Selection Advisory Panel to the decision maker on the merits of each application.



Grant decisions are made

The decision maker decides which applications are successful.



We notify you of the outcome

We advise you of the outcome of your application. We may not notify unsuccessful applicants until grant agreements have been executed with successful applicants.



We enter into a grant agreement

We enter into a grant agreement with you if successful. The type of grant agreement is based on the nature or complexity of the grant and is proportional to the risks involved.



Delivery of grant

You undertake the grant activity as set out in your grant agreement. We manage the grant by working with you, monitoring your progress and making payments.



¹ <https://www.finance.gov.au/government/commonwealth-grants/commonwealth-grants-rules-and-guidelines>

Evaluation of the Supporting Adolescent Boys Trial

We evaluate your specific grant activity and the Supporting Adolescent Boys Trial as a whole. We base this on information you provide us and that we collect from various sources.

1.1 Introduction

These guidelines contain information for the Supporting Adolescent Boys Trial Grants.

You must read these guidelines before filling out an application.

This document sets out:

- the purpose of the grant program/grant opportunity
- the eligibility and assessment criteria
- how grant applications are considered and selected
- how grantees are notified and receive grant payments
- how grantees will be monitored and evaluated
- responsibilities and expectations in relation to the opportunity.

This grant opportunity and process will be administered by the Department of Social Services (DSS) and Community Grants Hub.

The safety of women and children is a national priority and the Australian Government is providing the focus and national leadership needed to deliver change.

2. About the grant program

National Plan to End Violence against Women and Children 2022-2032

In October 2022, Commonwealth, state and territory governments released the [National Plan to End Violence against Women and Children 2022-2032](#)² (National Plan), which sets the national policy agenda for ending violence against women and children in Australia for the next 10 years. The National Plan sets the vision to end gender-based violence in Australia in one generation. It recognises that violence against women and children is a problem of epidemic proportions in Australia. The National Plan includes 4 domains: prevention, early intervention, response, and recovery and healing.

The [First Action Plan](#)³ (2023-2027) provides a roadmap for achieving the vision of the National Plan and sets out key Actions agreed across Commonwealth and states and territories. The relevant Actions for this grant opportunity are:

- Action 8: 'Develop and implement age appropriate, culturally safe programs across all four domains, **informed** by children and young people, that support recovery and healing from trauma, and intervene early to address violence supportive behaviours'.
- Action 5: 'Strengthen systems and services to better hold people who choose to use violence to account, and provide opportunities to support people who have used violence, or are at risk of using violence, to change their behaviours, with the aim of protecting the safety and wellbeing of current and potential victim-survivors'.

² <https://www.dss.gov.au/the-national-plan-to-end-violence-against-women-and-children/the-national-plan-to-end-violence-against-women-and-children-2022-2032>

³ <https://www.dss.gov.au/the-national-plan-to-end-violence-against-women-and-children/first-action-plan-2023-2027>

This grant opportunity includes supports for First Nations peoples in alignment with the priorities of the dedicated [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Action Plan 2023–2025](#)⁴.

Children and young people have not always been recognised as victim-survivors of family and domestic violence (FDV) in their own right. However, the National Plan notes that the current evidence base indicates that the mental health, well-being and relationships children depend on for their development can be impacted by experiences of FDV. These experiences can have serious lifelong negative consequences and can result in ongoing profound physical and mental health impacts, poor relationships and housing outcomes, developmental challenges, barriers to effective participation in education and employment, and safe and inclusive participation in a range of other environments, including online environments.

Recent research also highlights a link between adverse childhood experiences and some victim-survivors using violence themselves in the future. This underlines the importance of preventing and intervening early when children are experiencing violence, abuse and neglect.

Early intervention, also known as ‘secondary prevention’, aims to identify and support individuals and families experiencing, or at risk of, violence in order to stop violence from escalating, protect victim-survivors from harm and prevent violence from reoccurring.

Supporting children and young people as victim-survivors in their own right and addressing the impacts of developmental trauma to help healing and recovery will help break future cycles of violence.

There are currently only limited and inconsistent services available across Australia that specifically support children and young people who have experienced violence and are themselves using or at risk of using violence. Most services/programs provide support to the whole family in a wider FDV context. For example, DSS already funds some services using a whole of family approach to support children and families experiencing or at risk of FDV, including the Specialised Family Violence Services and the Helping Children Heal pilot program.

Young people and children can require different approaches to adults who have experienced violence.

2.1 About the Supporting Adolescent Boys Trial grant opportunity

In the 2022–23 October Budget, the Australian Government committed \$34.8 million (2022–23 to 2026–27) to establish a new national early intervention trial for young men and boys aged 12 to 18 years who present with adverse childhood experiences including FDV, and who are using or at risk of using family, domestic or sexual violence. For this grant opportunity \$27.995 million GST exclusive is available over 3 years. The trial is part of Program 2.1 - Families and Communities, and contributes to the National Plan.

DSS and the Community Grants Hub administers the program according to the [Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines 2017](#)⁵ (CGRGs).

⁴ <https://www.dss.gov.au/the-national-plan-to-end-violence-against-women-and-children/aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-action-plan-2023-2025>

⁵ <https://www.finance.gov.au/government/commonwealth-grants/commonwealth-grants-rules-and-guidelines>

While people of any gender can use violence, overwhelmingly, violence against women in Australia is perpetrated by men. To ensure progress towards achieving the objective of the National Plan, there is a need to focus on how to support young men and boys in particular to stop the risk of harm from escalating and continuing into their adult relationships. While directed at young men and boys (cis and trans), grantees will not exclude non-binary people with a connection to boyhood or manhood.

The trial will run over 3 years from 2024–25 to 2026–27. During this period, grant recipients will provide individual counselling and therapeutic support to eligible young men and boys aged 12 to 18 years at selected trial sites across Australia.

Trial sites will be located in each state and territory, and include a mix of metropolitan, regional, and remote locations as listed at **Appendix A**.

Participants' support needs are likely to differ depending on their particular circumstances, such as geographic location and community, socioeconomic status, cultural identity, gender and sexuality, and/or disability identity or diagnosis. Accordingly, the approach to delivering individual therapeutic support to eligible young men and boys under this trial is expected to vary between trial sites.

You will not be required to deliver the same therapeutic program as grantees across the other trial sites. Instead, you will propose a service approach in your application that will be most suitable for your trial site and the identified cohorts.

You will be encouraged to respond to the needs of the boys in your trial site community innovatively, and work with them through active outreach and in a tailored way to build trusting and productive therapeutic relationships. You will be required to demonstrate how your service approach considers the needs of your community identified through community engagement and consultation.

You will also be expected to work collaboratively with other relevant services and initiatives in your trial site location.

The objective of the trial is to test the effectiveness of an individual support approach, rather than group or family approaches. If your application is successful, you will agree the details of how your organisation will deliver this individual support with DSS through your grant agreement and Activity Work Plan.

All grantees will be required to provide services that prioritise safety, are accessible and inclusive, and trauma- and healing-informed as set out in the section on eligible grant activities (see 5.1 below).

All grantees must be able to work with participants with diverse needs, including young men and boys who identify as:

- having a disability and/or identify as neurodiverse
- First Nations
- GBTIQA+ (including Brotherboys, noting that this is a term used by some First Nations peoples to describe gender diverse people who have a male spirit and take on male roles within the community)
- being from refugee, migrant and culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.⁶

⁶ Including participants holding any visa class.

In addition, up to 2 trial sites will be dedicated to supporting First Nations young men and boys as specified in **Appendix A**. This approach is aligned with the [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Action Plan 2023–2025](#)⁷ which recognises that actions to address gender-based violence should include all men; to create better emotional, spiritual and cultural wellbeing for men, their families and the community. In addition, First Nations men must be supported to lead healing work with men and boys, empowering them to regain their dignity, determination, health and wellbeing, and engagement as positive community role models. This is fundamental to improving men’s psychological, emotional, and cultural wellbeing, as well as that of their families and the community.

The evidence base on what works best to support young men and adolescent boys is emerging. An independent evaluation of services delivered under the trial will be conducted through a separate arrangement. This evaluation will inform the evidence base and identify what has been most effective in delivering the objectives of the trial. All grantees will be expected to participate in and support the evaluation, which will commence in 2024–25. Participation may include contributing data, engaging in interviews with the evaluator and facilitating obtaining consent of program participants where safe and appropriate to be involved in the evaluation.

Program Objectives

The objective of the Supporting Adolescent Boys Trial is to test a therapeutic individual support service that is trauma and healing informed for young men and adolescent boys to:

1. support participants’ recovery and healing from their experience of family and domestic violence
2. help participants to avoid choosing to use family, domestic and sexual violence (FDSV)
3. build the evidence base on effective support service approaches to supporting young men and boys exposed to family and domestic violence to reduce the risk of them using FDSV.

The program will work to ensure that:

1. participants are helped to heal and recover through support that is culturally safe and responsive, trauma- and healing-informed, strengths-based and tailored to their individual needs and circumstances.
 - Recovery and healing will be different for each participant, but might include improved mental and physical health, connection to culture and community and safe respectful relationships. It might also include engagement with participant priorities such as education or employment. It might include an increase in adaptive coping skills and self-efficacy.
 - This might be facilitated by the grant activity through evidence-based therapeutic interventions, and by coordination with, and referrals to, specialist support services relevant to the participant and their family, such as FDSV response, recovery and education, family support, disability supports or service providers (including psychosocial supports), housing and care, mental health, alcohol and other drugs usage. The FDSV component should cover all forms of abuse, including technology-facilitated abuse.
2. the likelihood that participants choose to use violence is reduced.
 - This might include positive changes in risk and protective factors for the individual participant.

⁷ <https://www.dss.gov.au/the-national-plan-to-end-violence-against-women-and-children/aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-action-plan-2023-2025>

- It might also include an enhanced ability to understand the impact of their behaviours, choose safe behaviours and strategies, and improved attitudes towards healthy masculinities, gender equality and respectful relationships.
3. the information gathered during the delivery of the trial enables evaluators to measure success and lessons learned.
- Grant agreements will require that your service supports research-related safety, privacy and consent procedures, the provision of robust data for future use, and active cooperation with the evaluators.

The evaluators will develop more detailed information relating to key performance indicators, monitoring and evaluation. It is anticipated that these will relate to the safe and effective delivery of therapeutic support to participants, coordination with other services, and active cooperation with the independent evaluators to ensure they can access useful information to add to the evidence base.

The trial will support many of the 21 objectives of the National Plan, including but not limited to:

- Reduce the long-term impacts of exposure to violence and prevent further exposure.
- Elevate the voices of children and young people as victim-survivors in their own right.
- Address adolescent violence in family settings.
- Improve timely responses to newly identified cases of violence, attitudes and behaviours that may lead to violence perpetration.
- Enhance accountability of people who choose to use violence and address misidentification of perpetrators.
- Support men and boys in developing healthy masculinities and positive, supportive relationships with their male peers.
- Ensure victim-survivors are well supported in all aspects of their daily lives through trauma-informed, culturally safe and accessible services that support long-term recovery.
- Design recovery services and supports that are tailored to the specific needs of diverse populations and individuals, and women and children of all ages and in all locations.
- Recognise children and young people as victim-survivors of violence in their own right, and establish appropriate supports and services that will meet their safety and recovery needs.

The trial will also support the 6 long-term outcomes of the National Plan:

1. Systems and institutions effectively support and protect people impacted by violence.
2. Services and prevention programs are effective, culturally responsive, intersectional and accessible.
3. Community attitudes and beliefs embrace gender equality and condemn all forms of gendered violence without exception.
4. People who choose to use violence are accountable for their actions and stop their violent, coercive and abusive behaviours.
5. Children and young people are safe in all settings and are effectively supported by systems and services.
6. Women are safe and respected in all settings and experience economic, political, cultural and social equality.⁸

⁸ The trial will also support a variety of outcomes and sub-outcomes of the National Plan set out in the [Outcomes Framework](#) on pages 6 and 7.

3. Grant amount and grant period

3.1 Grants available

For this grant opportunity \$27.995 million GST exclusive is available over 3 years for up to 14 trial sites (up to 2 in each state and 1 in each territory). The grant opportunity will run from 2024–25 to 2026–27.

	2024–25	2025–26	2026–27	Total
Available under this grant opportunity	\$9,331,693	\$9,331,693	\$9,331,693	\$27,995,079

It is anticipated that most grants will be between \$1.4 million and \$2.2 million GST exclusive over 3 years. The amount of funding received by grantees might vary depending on the scope of the grant activity, its complexity and area of coverage and challenges associated with delivering services in remote locations, so there is not a pre-determined amount per trial location. Your application should clearly break down the expected costs of your proposal. You might receive funding for a lower amount than proposed in your application.

3.2 Grant period

The maximum grant period is 3 years. It is anticipated that grant activities will begin in November 2024. You must complete your grant by 30 June 2027. It is anticipated that an evaluation will be conducted concurrently in 2024–25 and 2025–26, to allow for lessons learned to inform the final program period.

4. Eligibility criteria

4.1 Who is eligible to apply for a grant?

To be eligible you must be one of the listed invited organisations at **Appendix A** and have received an invitation to apply through GrantConnect. No further organisations will be invited to apply.

The list of eligible applicants was determined based on national service mapping to identify areas with existing relevant service infrastructure, consultation with officials from all state and territory governments, consultation with relevant Australian Government departments, departmental desktop research, and preliminary research and consultations conducted by the Australian Institute of Family Studies (AIFS).

Applications from consortia are acceptable, as long as you have a lead applicant who is solely accountable to the Commonwealth for the delivery of grant activities and is an eligible entity as per the list at **Appendix A**⁹. Eligible organisations can form a consortia with ineligible organisations. All consortia arrangements (including the various roles and responsibilities) must be clearly articulated in your application.

⁹ The Australian Government recognises that some organisations may seek to form consortia in order to apply for a grant under the program. Consortia are eligible to apply and the relevant conditions applicable to consortia are at section 7.2 'Joint (Consortia) Applications'.

4.2 Additional eligibility requirements

Child Safe Eligibility Criteria

If a proposed activity involves interaction with children, applicants must comply with the Australian Government's Child Safety obligations.

At a minimum, applicants must, in delivering the proposed activity, be compliant with all relevant state, territory and Commonwealth law relating to employment or engagement of Child-Related Personnel. Where the activity involves planned interactions with children, grantees must also apply the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations, undertake an annual risk assessment of child safety and provide child safe training and education for staff.

Details on the specific child safe eligibility criteria can be found on the [Child Safety for DSS grants](#)¹⁰ and in the [Frequently Asked Questions for DSS grantees](#)¹¹.

4.3 Who is not eligible to apply for a grant?

You are not eligible to apply for this grant opportunity if you have not received an invitation to apply through GrantConnect and are not listed as an eligible invited organisation at **Appendix A**.

You are not eligible to apply if you are:

- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the [National Redress Scheme's website](#)¹² on the list of 'Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme'
- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the [Workplace Gender Equality Agency website](#)¹³ on the non-compliant organisations list.

4.4 What qualifications, skills or checks are required?

If you are successful, all grantees/personnel working on the grant services must maintain the following:

- Working with Vulnerable People registration
- Working with Children check
- National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) Worker Screening check
- All qualifications, accreditations, standards and checks required for you to deliver the trial service within Australia
- All qualifications, accreditations, standards and checks required for you to deliver the trial service specifically in your jurisdiction (for example, applicants working in Victoria must meet the mandatory minimum qualifications policy for that state).

Workers delivering the therapeutic service may have a variety of educational and professional backgrounds, such as tertiary qualifications in counselling, social work, psychology, youth work or FDV support services. These workers must maintain the qualifications and registrations relevant to their profession (for example, a psychologist must maintain registration with the Psychology Board of Australia) and adhere to the relevant practice standards and guidance (for example, the Ethical guidelines for working with young people).

¹⁰ <https://www.dss.gov.au/doing-business-with-dss/child-safety-for-dss-grants>

¹¹ <https://www.dss.gov.au/doing-business-with-dss/child-safety-for-dss-grants>

¹² <https://www.nationalredress.gov.au/>

¹³ <https://www.wgea.gov.au/what-we-do/compliance-reporting/non-compliant-list>

While assessment against the National Safety and Quality Health Service (NSQHS) Standards is not a requirement of this grant opportunity, you will be expected to align to the relevant Standards released by the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care. This includes the [National Safety and Quality Mental Health Standards for Community Managed Organisations](https://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/standards/national-safety-and-quality-mental-health-standards-community-managed-organisations)¹⁴ and [National Safety and Quality Digital Mental Health Standards](https://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/standards/national-safety-and-quality-digital-mental-health-standards)¹⁵ if relevant to your service delivery model.

Experience working in culturally safe and responsive, strengths-based, trauma- and healing-informed ways, in specialist FDV violence services and roles that require a strong understanding of child development are highly regarded.

5. What the grant money can be used for

5.1 Eligible grant activities

To be eligible your grant activity must:

Support participants to heal and recover from their experience of FDV

- support young men and adolescent boys aged from 12 to 18 years (cis and trans) and not exclude non-binary people with a connection to boyhood or manhood (the participant)
- integrate with, and act as a supplement to, other supports such as existing Commonwealth and state and territory services through collaborative practice and consistent multi-agency approaches with the participant at the centre¹⁶
- recognise the participant as a victim-survivor of violence in their own right
- proactively engage participants in comfortable, safe and inclusive settings that are appropriate for the cohort to encourage engagement and develop positive therapeutic relationships
- be flexible and tailored to the developmental and healing needs of each individual participant through a person-centred approach:
 - This support will be flexible in terms of the length of time each participant is provided with support, and respond to the intensity of their support needs and behaviours
 - You will be expected to seek to continue to support participants as their circumstances change (for example, if a participant begins to use violence while receiving support, leaves foster care or enters a youth custodial facility)

¹⁴ <https://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/standards/national-safety-and-quality-mental-health-standards-community-managed-organisations>

¹⁵ <https://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/standards/national-safety-and-quality-digital-mental-health-standards>

¹⁶ Relevant services might include:

- services for young people
- family violence and sexual violence services
- disability support services
- countering violent extremism intervention programs
- alcohol and other drug services
- mental health services
- medical services such as general practitioners
- legal assistance services
- family law courts
- housing and homelessness services
- education services and/or educational programs that include respectful relationships education
- other relevant services, such as financial counselling and Services Australia.

- deliver a trauma- and healing-informed service
- deliver a strengths-based approach to promote resilience and lasting positive impacts
- use language that is culturally safe, neither stigmatising nor labelling, and distinguishes behaviours from identity
- actively adopt an intersectional approach and be inclusive, accessible and culturally safe and responsive, including for participants who identify as:
 - having a disability and/ or identify as neurodiverse
 - First Nations
 - GBTIQA+ (including Brotherboys and non-binary people with a connection to boyhood or manhood)
 - being from refugee, migrant and culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds
- provide support to participants with access to translation and interpreting services where required¹⁷

Prioritise safety and help participants to avoid choosing to use violence

- prioritise the safety of participants and their broader families, carers and intimate partners, and communities
- conform to child safeguarding, mandatory reporting, privacy and legislative requirements
- consider the participant's family context
- manage access safely and appropriately to avoid excluding participants who prefer to engage confidentially
- focus on addressing the needs of the participant and reducing the risk that they use FDSV
- promote healthy masculinities and respectful relationships

Build the evidence base

- contribute to evaluation processes and adhere to research-related safety, privacy and consent requirements.

Eligible activities must directly relate to the trial and include:

- assessment of the individual needs of the participant, including family and community situation, experience of violence and risk of using violence, developmental level and specific support needs
- services for participants to support wellbeing and healing, for example:
 - specialised therapeutic counselling and services to improve mental health
 - counselling support and outreach to engage with young men and adolescent boys in the places they like to occupy
 - cognitive-behavioural skill development
 - services to support participants' needs for cultural and community connection, such as facilitating engagement with cultural mentors
 - social competence training - teaching new thinking and behavioural skills, such as self-control, perspective-taking, moral reasoning, critical thinking, problem-solving, digital literacy
 - support to challenge gender stereotypes, develop healthy masculinities, and build healthy relationships through respectful relationships education

¹⁷Certified translation and interpreting services should be used where possible.

- coordination within and between organisations to share therapeutic and risk information and sector knowledge
- referrals and coordination within and between organisations to address the needs of participants and their families, such as facilitating participants' access to housing, alcohol and other drug services, disability services, and youth justice services, as well as safe and inclusive access to other services and environments, such as online environments
- facilitating access to services for participants' families, carers and intimate partners to promote their safety and wellbeing. This could include referrals and coordination within and between services where safe and appropriate. This might include facilitating access to FDV services, whole-of-family therapy or attachment-based interventions. Therapeutic and crisis services might be required concurrently
- relevant capability development for staff working to deliver the trial, such as enhancing worker capability to support participants with disability or those experiencing and/or using technology-facilitated abuse
- activities contributing to workforce capability development, such as building collaboration between organisations to better support participants
- activities contributing to monitoring and evaluation processes, including through active cooperation with the evaluators, alignment with research-related safety, privacy and consent procedures
- the collection and provision of high-quality and robust data relating to participants, and (where safe and appropriate) insights from their families, carers, intimate partners and communities in relation to the trial.

When delivering your grant activity, we encourage you to:

- conduct consultation within the first 3 months of the grant activity period with local community members, Elders and cultural authorities, partners and other services/organisations to ensure the trial is delivered in an appropriate way within the trial site.

It is optional for your grant activity to:

- be dedicated to providing specialist support specifically for young men and adolescent boys who are part of a particular cohort, for example: disabled people, people living in youth justice settings, First Nations peoples, culturally and linguistically diverse communities, GBITQA+
 - For us to agree to a narrower and more specialised service scope, you will be required to demonstrate sufficient anticipated participant numbers in your trial site to sustain your service, and conduct consultation as described above
 - Note that all grantees will be required to provide support to all eligible young men and boys aged 12-18 years who have experienced family violence and are using or at risk of using violence unless we agree that you can deliver a more specialised service scope
- include innovative approaches such as providing some accessible support online, via the telephone or text (this must be safe and preferable for the individual participant, and all participants must receive some support in person)
- include pro-social activities and engagement such as cultural and healing activities on-country, sport and arts activities (only in combination with individual counselling tailored for the participant).

5.2 Eligible locations

Appendix A lists the trial site/s for which you have been invited to apply to deliver the Supporting Adolescent Boys Trial services. If successful, you must only deliver the trial services in the listed community and its surrounds, even if your organisation currently delivers other services in additional trial site locations.

5.3 Eligible expenditure

You can only spend the grant on eligible expenditure you have incurred on eligible grant activities.

Eligible expenditure items are:

- wages for workers delivering the grant activity (including translation and interpreting services, remuneration for mentoring services, and so on, where required)
- pro rata wages for staff supporting the delivery of the grant activity and on-costs in the relevant trial site (for example, staff providing clinical supervision and support to the workers delivering the grant activity)
- reasonable costs (not exceeding \$100,000 GST exclusive) related to community consultation to ensure the trial service is delivered appropriately and effectively within the trial site
- reasonable costs for workers to facilitate access to other services for participants, their families, carers and intimate partners where safe and appropriate
- reasonable operating and administration expenses (less than a third of total budget) related to the delivery of the grant activities (such as worker travel within the trial site to deliver trial services, promoting the trial service to build referral pathways, collating evaluation data, utilities, financial management services related to the grant)
- worker capability costs relating to the grant activity (for example, an NDIS Worker Check)
- brokerage funding for participants' material needs in exceptional circumstances (where other options for emergency relief have been exhausted or are inappropriate) not exceeding 5% of your budget.

You must incur the expenditure on your grant activities between the start date and end or completion date for your grant agreement for it to be eligible.

Grant activities and costs will be specified in more detail in Activity Work Plans, to be developed in consultation with DSS.

5.4 What the grant money cannot be used for

You cannot use the grant for the following activities:

- purchase of land
- major capital expenditure (including motor vehicles)
- the covering of retrospective costs
- costs incurred in the preparation of a grant application or related documentation
- subsidy of general ongoing administration of an organisation such as electricity, phone and rent, and wages for workers not involved in the trial
- major construction/capital works
- overseas travel
- duplication of activities that are already funded on an ongoing basis by other Australian, state or territory, or local government programs.

You must identify in your application if you are already delivering a service supporting young men and adolescent boys using or at risk of using violence, and describe how you would use this grant funding to add value (not duplicate or replace) the currently funded service offering. For example, if you currently only deliver services to able bodied people, you could use the funds to extend your services to be inclusive of young men and adolescent boys who have a disability. As another example, if you currently only deliver services to people in the justice system, you could use the funds to provide services to young men and boys who are at risk but who have not yet come into contact with the youth justice system.

All the data you will be required to report to DSS must be specifically about the use of this grant funding. For example, you must be able to identify the number of participants supported using this grant funding specifically, not an overall number supported by your service through different funding sources.

6. The assessment criteria

To progress in the selection process, you must address all of the following assessment criteria in the application, and attach the mandatory attachments listed in section 7.1. All criterion are equally weighted.

The application form includes character limits – up to 6,000 characters (approximately 900 words) per criterion. The application form will not accept characters beyond this limit. Please note spaces are included in the character limit.

The amount of detail and supporting evidence you provide in your application should be relative to the size, complexity and grant amount requested.

Criterion 1: How will you support 12-18 year old males who have experienced FDV?

*Describe how you will use the grant to deliver a therapeutic support service specifically for young men and adolescent boys aged 12 to 18 years who present with adverse childhood experiences including family or domestic violence, and who are using or at risk of using FDSV (participants). Your service will be delivered within the trial site community and surrounds for which you have been invited to apply (see **Appendix A**). Explain how it will support participants to improve their wellbeing and help them to avoid choosing to use violence.*

When addressing this criterion, strong applications will:

- Indicator 1: Describe your proposed service model, including explaining how it meets the intention and requirements of the Supporting Adolescent Boys Trial (see section 5.1), is evidence-informed, and is feasible and suitable for delivery within your trial site. This will include information on the proposed:
 - therapeutic intervention type/s to be delivered
 - anticipated qualifications of the workers delivering the services
 - way in which your proposed service would complement any relevant existing services (such as Specialised Family Violence Services Children’s Specific Counselling services) additional eligibility restrictions (for example, you may avoid duplicating an existing service in your trial site by only providing the trial service to participants in a youth justice setting who are otherwise underserved)
 - referral pathways (for example, will there be multiple entry points for participants such as through schools, criminal justice diversion programs or family and domestic violence services)
 - approach to publicising the service (to avoid stigmatising participants)
 - methods for engaging productively with participants, including any innovative approaches.

Criterion 2: How will you ensure your service is effective, accessible and inclusive?

Describe how you will use the grant to provide an effective service that is accessible to, and inclusive of, eligible young men and adolescent boys, including those who identify as having a disability and/or identify as neurodiverse, First Nations, GBTIQA+, being from refugee, migrant and culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

When addressing this criterion, strong applications will:

- Indicator 2a: Describe your organisation's, and/or your partnering organisation's existing expertise and experience:
 - delivering services that are trauma- and healing-informed and strengths-based, and any steps you would take to develop these skills to deliver the trial.
 - delivering relevant service/s specifically for young men, adolescent boys or children and expertise engaging with this cohort credibly to avoid stigma and collusion, and promote therapeutic relationships and program retention. Explain any additional steps you would take to enhance these skills to deliver the trial.
- Indicator 2b: Describe your existing expertise and experience working to support people in a culturally safe and inclusive manner, and how you will build on this to deliver the trial. This may include explaining:
 - your capacity to deliver quality, culturally competent services for the young men and boys from diverse communities in your trial site (including identifying if your organisation is an Indigenous organisation as per section 10.4 of these guidelines)
 - your commitment to providing First Nations or other culturally and linguistically diverse people with employment opportunities, and other organisational tactics such as clear cultural governance structures across the organisation, cultural awareness training, and a Reconciliation Action Plan
 - your plan for conducting consultation with local community members, Elders and cultural authorities, partners and other services/organisations to ensure the trial is designed and delivered in an appropriate way within your trial site. Depending on the community in your trial site, this might support [National Closing the Gap Agreement Priority Reform 1](#)¹⁸
 - your plan for delivering services to support participants' needs for cultural and community connection, such as facilitating engagement with cultural mentors.
- Indicator 2c: Describe your existing expertise and experience working to support young men or adolescent boys with disability, and your proposed approach to developing these skills and/or working with other organisations to deliver the trial.
- Indicator 2d: Describe your existing skills/experience working to support GBTIQA+ people (cis and trans), and your proposed approach to developing these skills and/or working with other organisations to deliver the trial.

Criterion 3: How will your service delivery prioritise safety?

Describe how your service will promote the physical and psychological safety of participants, their family members, carers and intimate partners, and your staff through adherence with existing external requirements and internal governance structures including strong risk management policies and procedures.

¹⁸ <https://www.closingthegap.gov.au/national-agreement/priority-reforms>

When addressing this criterion, strong applications will:

- Indicator 3a: Describe how your service will promote the safety of participants, including through:
 - adherence to child safeguarding, reportable conduct, mandatory reporting, privacy and other legislative requirements
 - risk assessment and safety planning
 - the safe management of risk and critical incidents, including outside of office hours
 - proactive collaboration with family, domestic and sexual violence crisis and police services, and sharing risk information and safety planning
 - appropriate management of outreach approaches within service provision.
- Indicator 3b: Describe how your service will promote the safety of participants' family members, carers and intimate partners.
- Indicator 3c: Describe how your service will promote the safety of workers, including through risk management processes, supervision arrangements and strategies to minimise vicarious trauma.

Criterion 4: How will you collaborate to deliver the Supporting Adolescent Boys Trial?

Describe how you will deliver the trial service as an effective supplement to existing services within your trial site so that the broader needs of participants and their families, carers and intimate partners can be addressed. Also explain how you will contribute to the evaluation of the trial.

When addressing this criterion, strong applications will:

- Indicator 4a: Describe how the trial service would supplement your existing service offering. For example, if your organisation already provides family therapy, you could offer the individual trial service to eligible young men and boys to supplement their family therapy.
- Indicator 4b: Describe how you would leverage or create collaborative linkages with other organisations in your trial site to meet the needs of participants and their family members, carers and intimate partners. For example, you could enhance referral networks with disability, housing, alcohol and other drug, health, education and youth justice service organisations.
- Indicator 4c: Describe any relevant prior experience participating in data gathering and evaluation activities that can demonstrate you will be capable of cooperating with the independent evaluators of the trial.

7. How to apply

Before applying, you must read and understand these Grant Opportunity Guidelines sample application form and questions and answers.

These documents are found on the [GrantConnect¹⁹](https://www.grants.gov.au/) website. Any changes to grant documentation are published as addenda²⁰ on GrantConnect. By registering on this website, you will be automatically notified of any changes. GrantConnect is the authoritative source for grants information.

¹⁹ <https://www.grants.gov.au/>

²⁰ Addenda can include changes to existing grant opportunity documentation and/or publishing additional documents. Changes include but are not limited to corrections to currently published documents, changes to close times for applications and system outage notices.

An example of Commonwealth grant agreement terms and conditions are available on the [Department of Finance](#) website²¹. Invitees can only access these documents including the application form.

You can only submit an application for the trial site/s for which you have been invited to apply.

You can only submit one application for each trial site for which you are invited to apply. A separate application form must be submitted for each trial site. If more than one application is submitted for the same trial site, your latest accepted application form will progress.

To apply you must:

- complete the online application form on [GrantConnect](#)²²
- provide all the information requested
- address all eligibility criteria and assessment criteria
- complete all required templates
- include all necessary attachments
- submit your application/s to the Community Grants Hub by 9:00 pm AEST on 24 June 2024.

We will not provide application forms or accept applications for this grant opportunity by fax or mail.

The application form includes help information. You are responsible for making sure your application is complete and accurate. Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence under the [Criminal Code Act 1995](#)²³ and we will investigate any false or misleading information and may exclude your application from further consideration.

If you need more help about the application process, submitting an application online, have any technical difficulties or find an error in your application after submission, but before the closing date and time, you should contact the Community Grants Hub immediately on 1800 020 283 (option 1) or email support@communitygrants.gov.au. DSS does not have to accept any additional information, or requests from you to correct your application after the closing time.

You cannot change your application after the closing date and time.

If we find an error or something missing, we may ask you for clarification or additional information. This will not change the nature of your application. However, we can refuse to accept any additional information from you that would change your application after the closing time.

You should keep a copy of your application and any supporting documents.

You will receive an automated notification acknowledging the receipt of your application.

7.1 Attachments to the application

You are encouraged to attach letter/s of support to demonstrate connection with the trial site community (for example, from local councils and community groups such as youth or Aboriginal peak organisations in your region).

²¹ <https://www.finance.gov.au/government/commonwealth-grants/tools-and-templates#types-of-agreements-and-their-templates>

²² <https://www.grants.gov.au/>

²³ <https://www.legislation.gov.au/C2004A04868/2023-09-14/text>

All of the following supporting documents must be attached to your application for it to be considered compliant and for it to proceed to assessment. Templates are provided for your use with the grant opportunity documents as specified:

- Project Plan – (mandatory) up to 10 pages
- Project Budget – (mandatory)
- Risk Assessment – (mandatory)
- Trust deed and any subsequent variations, if applying as a Trustee on behalf of a Trust.

If a mandatory template is not used your application will be considered non-compliant and will not proceed to assessment.

You must attach supporting documentation according to the instructions provided within the application form. You should only attach requested documents. We will not consider information in attachments we have not asked for.

Please note: There is a 2 MB limit for each attachment.

7.2 Joint (Consortia) applications

We recognise that some organisations may want to join together as a group to deliver a grant activity.

In these circumstances, you must appoint a 'lead organisation'. Only the lead organisation can submit the application form and enter into a grant agreement with the Commonwealth. The lead organisation must also be an eligible entity type as outlined in section 4.1. The application must identify all other members of the consortium. Organisations will not be eligible to be members of a consortium arrangement if they are included on the:

- [National Redress Scheme's website](#)²⁴ on the list of 'Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme'
- [Workplace Gender Equality Agency website](#)²⁵ on the non-compliant list.

Eligible organisations can form consortia with ineligible organisations.

7.3 Timing of grant opportunity processes

You must submit an application between the published opening and closing dates.

Late applications

We will not accept late applications unless an applicant has experienced exceptional circumstances that prevent the submission of the application. Broadly, exceptional circumstances are events characterised by one or more of the following:

- reasonably unforeseeable
- beyond the applicant's control
- unable to be managed or resolved within the application period.

Exceptional circumstances will be considered on their merits and in accordance with probity principles.

²⁴ <https://www.nationalredress.gov.au/>

²⁵ <https://www.wgea.gov.au/>

How to lodge a late application

Applicants seeking to submit a late application will be required to submit an email request to the Community Grants Hub via support@communitygrants.gov.au. Where appropriate, applicants may provide supporting evidence to verify the claim of exceptional circumstances. Email requests are required within **3 business days** of the grant opportunity closing. There will be no further consideration of requests made outside of the 3 business days.

Upon receipt of a late application email request, the Community Grants Hub will send a link to the late application form, which will detail the due date and time for submitting the late application.

The late application form will prompt applicants to provide a detailed explanation of the exceptional circumstances, which prevented submission of their application prior to the closing date and time.

The Community Grants Hub will provide all exceptional circumstances for consideration to the Grant Opportunity Delegate or their appointed representative. The Grant Opportunity Delegate or their appointed representative will determine based on the merits of the exceptional circumstances, in accordance with probity principles, whether a late application is accepted.

The Grant Opportunity Delegate or their appointed representative's decision will be final and not subject to a review or appeals process.

Expected timing for this grant opportunity

If you are successful, you will be expected to start your grant activity in 2024.

Table 1: Expected timing for this grant opportunity

Activity	Timeframe
Assessment of applications	4 weeks
Approval of outcomes of selection process	4 weeks
Negotiations and award of grant agreements	Up to 6 weeks
Notification to applicants	2 weeks
Earliest start date of grant activity	November 2024
End date of grant activity	30 June 2027

7.4 Questions during the application process

Only invited applicants' questions will be responded to during the application submission period. If you have any questions during the application period, contact the Community Grants Hub on 1800 020 283 (option 1) or email support@communitygrants.gov.au.

The Community Grants Hub will respond to emailed questions within 5 working days. The Questions and Answers document will be updated to include answers to questions and addenda will be published on [GrantConnect](#)²⁶.

The question period will close at 5:00 pm AEST on 17 June 2024. Following this time, only questions about using and/or submitting the application form will be answered.

²⁶ <https://www.grants.gov.au/>

8. The grant selection process

8.1 Assessment of grant applications

The Community Grants Hub will review your application against the eligibility criteria. Only eligible applications will move to the next stage. Eligible applications will be considered through a targeted competitive grant process.

If eligible, DSS will then assess your application against the assessment criteria (see section 6). We will consider your application on its merits, based on:

- how well it meets the assessment criteria.
- how it compares to other applications to deliver services in the same trial site.

DSS may seek advice from state and territory government officials (state officials) on potential risks and sensitivities of grant applications in their jurisdictions. DSS will only share information with state officials that is necessary to inform their advice. The role of state officials is only to advise, not to assess applications or select grantees.

A Selection Advisory Panel will consider whether it provides value with relevant money.²⁷

When assessing the extent to which the application represents value with relevant money, the Selection Advisory Panel will have regard to:

- the overall objective/s to be achieved in providing the grant
- the relative value of the grant sought
- the extent to which the evidence in the application demonstrates that it will contribute to meeting the outcomes/objectives
- how the grant activities will support participants
- how it compares to other applications to deliver services in the same trial site.

The Selection Advisory Panel may seek additional information about you or your application and this may delay completion of the selection process. The Panel may seek this from within or outside of the Commonwealth, even if the sources are not nominated by you as referees. Assessment personnel may also consider information about you or your application that is available through the normal course of business.

8.2 Financial viability

Applicants may be subject to a financial viability assessment. The financial viability assessment forms part of the risk mitigation strategy and can include:

- establishing whether relevant persons have any adverse business history (for example, current or past bankruptcy)
- assessment of the financial health of an entity.

8.3 Who will assess and select applications?

DSS will assess each eligible and compliant application on its merit and compare it to other eligible applications for that trial site. The Selection Advisory Panel will comprise Australian Government personnel including staff from the Community Grants Hub and people with particular expertise, who will undertake training to ensure consistent assessment of all applications.

²⁷ See glossary for an explanation of 'value with money'.

Any expert/advisor, who is not a Commonwealth official, will be required/expected to perform their duties in accordance with the CGRGs.

The Selection Advisory Panel may seek additional information about you or your application and this may delay completion of the selection process. They may do this from within the Commonwealth, even if the sources are not nominated by you as referees. Assessment personnel may also consider information about you or your application that is available through the normal course of business.

The Selection Advisory Panel recommends to the decision maker which applications to approve for a grant.

8.4 Who will approve grants?

The Deputy Secretary, Families and Communities Group (the decision maker and Grant Opportunity Delegate) decides which grants to approve based on the recommendations of the Selection Advisory Panel and the availability of grant funds for the purposes of the grant program.

The decision maker's decision is final in all matters, including:

- the approval of the grant
- the grant funding amount to be awarded.

There is no appeal mechanism for decisions to approve or not approve a grant.

9. Notification of application outcomes

We will write to you about the outcome of your application. If you are successful, you are advised of any specific conditions attached to the grant.

9.1 Feedback on your application

A feedback summary will be published on the Community Grants Hub website to provide all organisations with easy access to information about the grant selection process and the main strengths and areas for improving applications.

Individual feedback will be available upon request. Applicants seeking individual feedback should submit requests to WSI.GrantPrograms@dss.gov.au. Requests for individual feedback will only be accepted within 35 days of receipt of the outcome of your application. Feedback will be provided within 21 days of receipt of the request.

9.2 Further grant opportunities

If there are not enough suitable applications to meet the program's objectives, DSS will consider a subsequent grant opportunity to meet the objectives of the trial.

To achieve an overall mix of grants that meets the objectives of the program effectively, the decision maker may choose to invite some applicants with provisionally suitable applications that require further development to future grant opportunities that are restricted, targeted or closed non-competitive.

If the decision maker decides to invite applicants to future grant opportunities, the department will notify these applicants individually, most likely at the same time applicants are notified of their selection outcomes for the program. The department will provide these applicants with individual feedback on their applications.

10. Successful grant applications

10.1 The grant agreement

If your application to receive a grant is successful, you must enter into a legally binding grant agreement with the Commonwealth. We will offer successful applicants a Commonwealth Individualised Standard Grant Agreement for this grant opportunity.

Whole-of-government grant agreement templates are available on the [Department of Finance](#)²⁸ website.

We must execute a grant agreement with you before we can make any payments. We are not responsible for any of your expenditure until a grant agreement is executed. You must not start any trial services until a grant agreement is executed.

Your grant agreement may have specific conditions determined by the assessment process or other considerations made by the decision maker. These are identified in the agreement.

We may manage the grant agreement through our Grant Recipient Portal. Accepting the agreement through the Grant Recipient Portal is the equivalent of signing a grant agreement. After you have accepted it, we will execute the agreement. Execute means both you and the Commonwealth have entered into the grant agreement. We will notify you when this happens and a copy of the executed agreement will be available through the portal. The agreement will not become binding until it is executed.

The Commonwealth may recover grant funds if there is a breach of the grant agreement.

Commonwealth Individualised Grant Agreement

We will use a Commonwealth Individualised Grant Agreement.

You will have 15 business days from the date of a written offer to sign and return this grant agreement. The grant agreement is not considered to be executed until both you and the Commonwealth have signed the agreement. During this time, we will work with you to finalise details.

The offer may lapse if both parties do not sign the grant agreement within this time. Under certain circumstances, we may extend this period. We base the approval of your grant on the information you provide in your application.

You may request changes to the grant agreement. However, we will review any changes to make sure they do not affect the grant as approved by the decision maker.

10.2 Commonwealth Child Safe Framework

The Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse highlighted the need for organisations to adopt child safe practices including appropriate screening of staff, mandatory reporting and adoption of the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations. The Australian Government committed to a new Commonwealth-wide framework to protect children and young people it is responsible for – the Commonwealth Child Safe Framework (CCSF).

²⁸ <https://www.finance.gov.au/government/commonwealth-grants/tools-and-templates#types-of-agreements-and-their-templates>

The Australian Government has put in place ways to apply certain child safety requirements of the CCSF to grantees. A child safety clause will be included in all grant agreements relating to this grant opportunity as the Commonwealth considers the grant is for:

- services directly to children
- activities that involve contact with children that is a usual part of, and more than incidental to, the grant activity.
- activities that involve possible contact with children that is irregular or unplanned.

The successful applicant will be required to comply with all child safety obligations included in the grant agreement prior to execution of the grant agreement. Irrespective of the child safety obligations in the grant agreement, you must always comply with state and territory legislative requirements for working with children and mandatory reporting.

The child safe supplementary clause CB9 lists the obligations the successful applicants must comply with to be child safe compliant. To view the child safe supplementary clause visit the [Child Safety for DSS grants²⁹](#) web page.

10.3 National Agreement on Closing the Gap

The [National Agreement on Closing the Gap³⁰](#) (National Agreement) objective is to enable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and governments to work together to overcome the inequality experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and achieve life outcomes equal to all Australians. The National Agreement is underpinned by the belief that when Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have a genuine say in the design and delivery of policies, programs and services that affect them, better life outcomes are achieved.

The National Agreement has been built around four [Priority Reforms³¹](#), these reforms recognise the voices and aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and are central to the National Agreement. The aim of the Priority Reforms is to change the way governments work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to achieve the socio-economic targets outlined in the National Agreement.

The Priority Reforms are:

- Formal partnerships and shared decision-making
- Building the community controlled sector
- Transforming government organisations
- Shared access to data and information at a regional level.

The trial will support Priority Reform 2 as only Indigenous organisations are invited to apply for this grant opportunity in the trial sites dedicated to supporting First Nations boys and young men.

²⁹ <https://www.dss.gov.au/doing-business-with-dss/child-safety-for-dss-grants>

³⁰ <https://www.closingthegap.gov.au/national-agreement>

³¹ <https://www.closingthegap.gov.au/national-agreement/priority-reforms>

We also encourage you to work towards having a deep understanding of the Priority Reforms and how embedding them into the way services are designed and delivered will actively contribute to the [Closing the Gap targets](#)³², particularly:

- Target 10: adults are not overrepresented in the criminal justice system
- Target 11: young people are not overrepresented in the criminal justice system
- Target 13: Families and households are safe
- Target 14: People enjoy high levels of social and emotional wellbeing.

This includes considering how to engage in genuine partnerships with Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations and local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. Grantees are required to ensure their services are culturally safe and responsive to the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

10.4 Indigenous organisation type classifications

All Australian governments are working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, their communities, organisations and businesses to implement the National Agreement on Closing the Gap (National Agreement) at the national, state and territory, and local levels. The National Agreement identifies 4 priority areas for reform within government. One of these is Priority Reform 2, building the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled sector to deliver services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

To assist government with improving and reporting on the level of community grant funding going to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations, changes have been made to the way organisation data is collected. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations will now be classified into 3 tiers and asked to self-identify which group they fall under. The 3 tiers and their definitions are:

Organisation	Definition
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Controlled organisation	These are organisations that are incorporated, not for profit, at least 51% Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander owned and at least 51% Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander controlled (board members or equivalent).
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Operated and Controlled organisation	These are organisations that are at least 51% Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander owned and at least 51% Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander controlled (board members or equivalent).
Other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisation	These are organisations that are at least 50% Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander owned OR at least 50% Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander controlled (board members or equivalent).

³² <https://www.closingthegap.gov.au/national-agreement/targets>

10.5 Specific legislation, policies and industry standards

Whilst you are required to be compliant with all relevant laws and regulations, you may be requested to demonstrate compliance with the following legislation/policies/industry standards:

- [Workplace Gender Equality Act 2012](#)³³ reporting requirements.

There are no national regulated risk assessment and management protocols that are child- and young-person-centred, trauma-informed, and assess both experience and use of violence. Therefore, you will be responsible for developing or tailoring risk assessment, management and safety planning tools and protocols that are appropriate for your jurisdiction and trial site.

In addition to jurisdictional workplace health and safety legislation, you are expected to comply with the relevant state and territory minimum standards.

You are expected to cooperate with the evaluators to align with the [National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research \(2023\)](#)³⁴ (for example, when seeking consent from trial participants).

10.6 Multicultural access and equity

The Australian Government's [Multicultural Access and Equity Policy](#)³⁵ obliges Australian Government agencies to ensure their policies, programs and services – including those provided by contractors and service delivery partners – are accessible to, and deliver equitable outcomes for, people from multicultural communities.

Grant applicants should consider how they will ensure their services will be accessible to people from multicultural communities. For example, service delivery partners may require cultural competency skills. In addition, services, projects, activities or events may require the use of professional translating or interpreting services in order to communicate with clients who have limited English proficiency. Based on an assessment of the client target group, costs for translating and interpreting services should be factored into grant applications (to assist with identifying these costs see the Translating and Interpreting Services costing tool).

10.7 How we pay the grant

The grant agreement will state the maximum grant amount to be paid. We will not exceed the maximum grant amount under any circumstances. If you incur extra costs, you must meet them yourself.

Advance payments

We will make an initial payment at the commencement of the grant agreement. We will make subsequent payments quarterly in advance, based on your forecast eligible expenditure and adjusted for unspent amounts from previous payments. Payments are subject to satisfactory progress.

³³ <https://www.legislation.gov.au/C2004A03332/2012-12-06/text>

³⁴ <https://www.nhmrc.gov.au/about-us/publications/national-statement-ethical-conduct-human-research-2023>

³⁵ <https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/mca/PDFs/multicultural-access-equity-policy-guide.pdf>

10.8 Grant payments and GST

GST will be paid for this grant. If you are registered for the [Goods and Services Tax \(GST\)](#)³⁶, where applicable, we will add GST to your grant payment and issue you with a [Recipient Created Tax Invoice](#)³⁷.

If a government related entity is deemed successful (including Commonwealth, State and Local Government entities) GST will not apply, in accordance with section 9-17(3) *A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999*.

Grants are assessable income for taxation purposes, unless exempted by a taxation law. We recommend you seek independent professional advice on your taxation obligations or seek assistance from the [Australian Taxation Office](#)³⁸. We do not provide advice on your particular taxation circumstances.

11. Announcement of grants

If successful, your grant will be listed on the GrantConnect website no later than 21 calendar days after the date of effect as required by section 5.3 of the [CGRGs](#)³⁹.

12. How we monitor your grant activity

12.1 Keeping us informed

You should let us know if anything is likely to affect your grant activities or organisation.

We need to know of any changes to your organisation or its business activities if they affect your ability to complete your grant safely and effectively, carry on business and pay debts due because of these changes.

You must also inform us of any changes to your:

- organisation name
- ABN
- addresses
- nominated contact details
- bank account details.

If you become aware of a breach of the terms and conditions under the grant agreement, you must contact us immediately.

You must notify us of events relating to your grant and provide an opportunity for the Minister or their representative to attend.

You must let us know about any incidents involving young men and adolescent boys who are receiving support through the grant within one business day of the incident occurring. You will agree the process for reporting safety and risk information to DSS through the Activity Work Plan development process.

³⁶ <https://www.ato.gov.au/businesses-and-organisations/gst-excise-and-indirect-taxes/gst/registering-for-gst>

³⁷ <https://www.ato.gov.au/forms-and-instructions/recipient-created-tax-invoices>

³⁸ <https://www.ato.gov.au/>

³⁹ <https://www.finance.gov.au/government/commonwealth-grants/commonwealth-grants-rules-and-guidelines>

12.2 Reporting

As a condition of grant funding, you will be required to:

- participate in a Community of Practice or similar
- cooperate with independent evaluators
- provide high quality data and reporting information relating to the grant.

The department may also request licensing agreements in relation to the intellectual property of materials or activity funded through this grant opportunity. Any licencing arrangements will be negotiated at the grant agreement stage.

You will agree with DSS the data that you will report in your activity work planning. It will need to support DSS and evaluators to measure outcomes for participants. The following information is an indication of the kinds of information that is likely to be required:

1. Improvement in assessment of participant wellbeing during the grant period, including self-report and assessment by the worker.
2. Decrease in the risk of the participant using violence during the grant period, including:
 - participant self-report
 - assessment by the worker (including external evidence such as any information regarding criminal offending)
 - (potentially, if available) improvement in the extent to which family member or others connected to the participant report feeling safer during the grant period.
3. Evaluator report of consistency and completeness of requested information, such as:
 - service delivery data (participant personal and demographic data, participation, withdrawals, completions, dosage, demand)
 - sector development and capability building (integration/referrals, partnerships and capability building).

You will agree with DSS how many young men and adolescent boys your grant activity can feasibly seek to support, noting the complexity of the needs of participants in your location, the services you will provide and the anticipated intensity of support needs of participants over time.

Grantees must have systems in place to meet their data collection and reporting obligations outlined in their grant agreement.

Performance information (for example, client characteristics and service delivery information) needs to be collected by grantees at the client level and put directly into the department's performance reporting solution, the Data Exchange.

The performance information reported through the Data Exchange includes:

- client identity characteristics (given and family names, date of birth, gender and residential address)
- client demographic characteristics (Indigenous status, cultural and linguistic diversity, and disability status, impairment or condition)
- service delivery information (outlets, cases, sessions)
- client outcomes.

The Data Exchange has 2 standardised 6 monthly performance reporting periods each year, which run from 1 July to 31 December and 1 January to 30 June, with a 30 day close off period after each of these. Once the close-off period is completed, no further changes can be made to the data.

Information must be provided in accordance with the Data Exchange Protocols available on the [Data Exchange website](#)⁴⁰.

For this activity, participation in the “partnership approach” is a requirement of funding. By participating, you agree to provide some additional information in exchange for the receipt of regular and relevant reports. The main focus of the partnership approach is collecting information about the outcomes achieved by clients as a result of service delivery. The partnership approach also includes some extended data items that provide additional information about client demographics, needs and circumstances.

In addition to the DEX reporting described above, you must submit reports in line with the grant agreement. We will provide sample templates for these reports as appendices in the grant agreement. We will remind you of your reporting obligations before a report is due. We will expect you to report on:

- progress towards achievement of outcomes
- expenditure of the grant (in total and by financial year).

The amount of detail you provide in your reports should be relative to the size and complexity of the grant and the grant amount.

We will monitor progress by assessing reports you submit and may conduct site visits or request records to confirm details of your reports if necessary. Occasionally we may need to re-examine claims, ask for more information or request an independent audit of claims and payments.

Activity Work Plan – Yearly

You will be required to work with the department to complete an Activity Work Plan on the template provided by us prior to execution of the grant agreement. An Activity Work Plan will be used to outline the specific grant requirements. The Activity Work Plan documents planned deliverables, milestones and outputs for the funded project as well as risk management and community engagement relevant to the funded project.

Activity Work Plan reports – 6 monthly

Successful applicants’ progress and outcomes against the Activity Work Plan including any compliance requirements will be monitored throughout the grant through 6 monthly Activity Work Plan reports.

Activity Work Plan reports must:

- include justification if progress towards agreed outcomes is delayed or not achieved
- include evidence of your progress toward completion of agreed activities and achievement of outcomes
- show the total eligible expenditure incurred to date
- include evidence of expenditure
- be submitted by the report due date (you can submit reports ahead of time if you have completed relevant activities).

Ad-hoc reports

We may ask you for ad-hoc reports on your grant. This may be to provide an update on progress, or any significant delays or difficulties in completing the grant activity.

⁴⁰ <https://dex.dss.gov.au/data-exchange-protocols>

Final report

When you complete the grant activity, you must submit a final report.

Final reports must:

- identify if and how outcomes have been achieved
- include the agreed evidence as specified in the grant agreement
- identify the total eligible expenditure incurred
- be submitted by the due date and in the format provided in the grant agreement.

Annual Child Safe Statement of Compliance

You will be required to submit an annual Child Safety Statement of Compliance. This will be a statutory declaration on a form provided by the Hub affirming that you are compliant with the Child Safe Supplementary Term in your grant agreement.

12.3 Acquitting your grant

Audited financial acquittal report

We will ask you to provide an independently audited financial acquittal report. A financial acquittal report will verify that you spent the grant in accordance with the grant agreement and declare unspent funds.

An audited financial acquittal report is a report prepared independent to the grant recipient by a:

- Registered Company Auditor under the [Corporations Act 2001](#)⁴¹
- certified Practising Accountant
- member of the National Institute of Accountants, or
- member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants
- who is not a principal member, shareholder, officer or employee of the grantee or a related body corporate.

The report includes an income and expenditure statement, verifying that grant funding was spent to perform the activity(ies) as set out in the grant agreement. It must include details on spending against line item expenditure and, if relevant, detail reasons for any unspent funds. The report is to be accompanied by the audit opinion.

Underspent funding must be returned to DSS.

12.4 Grant agreement variations

We recognise that unexpected events may affect your progress. In these circumstances, you can request a variation to your grant agreement. You can request a variation by contacting your Funding Arrangement Manager, Community Grants Hub.

You should not assume that a variation request will be successful. We will consider your request based on provisions in the grant agreement and the likely impact on achieving outcomes.

12.5 Compliance visits

We may visit you during or at the completion of your grant activity to review your compliance with the grant agreement. We will provide you with reasonable notice of any compliance visit.

⁴¹ <https://www.legislation.gov.au/C2004A00818/latest/text>

12.6 Record keeping

We may also inspect the records you are required to keep under the grant agreement.

12.7 Evaluation

An independent evaluator will evaluate the grant opportunity to see how well the outcomes and objectives have been achieved. They may use information from your application and reports for this purpose. They may also ask you for more information to help understand how the grant impacted you and to evaluate how effective the program was in achieving its outcomes.

You will be required to work with the evaluators to collect and communicate data relevant to the evaluation, including information from participants and their affected family members, carers and intimate partners where safe and appropriate to do so. High quality administrative data will be a core contributor to the evidence base developed through the trial. You will be required to adhere to research-related safety, privacy and consent requirements.

We may contact you up to 2 years after you finish your grant for more information to assist with evaluation.

12.8 Acknowledgement

If you make a public statement about a grant activity funded under the program, we require you to acknowledge the grant by using the following:

‘This service for young men and adolescent boys received grant funding from the Australian Government.’

We ask that the following text is included on your website home page, or relevant landing page, in the following format: Funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

13. Probity

The Australian Government will make sure that the grant opportunity process is fair, according to the published guidelines, incorporates appropriate safeguards against fraud, unlawful activities and other inappropriate conduct and is consistent with the CGRGs.

These guidelines may be changed by DSS. When this happens, the revised guidelines are published on [GrantConnect](https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/List)⁴².

⁴² <https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/List>

13.1 Enquiries and feedback

Complaints about this grant opportunity

Complaints about this grant opportunity or the Community Grants Hub's service/s must be made in writing using the [online complaints form](#)⁴³ on the [Department of Social Services](#)⁴⁴ website, or by contacting the Department of Social Services complaints line.

Phone: 1800 634 035

Email: complaints@dss.gov.au

Mail: Complaints
GPO Box 9820
Canberra ACT 2601

Complaints about the DSS grant program or the selection process

The DSS [Complaints Procedures](#)⁴⁵ apply to complaints about the grant program or the selection process.

This grant opportunity will be administered by the Community Grants Hub on behalf of DSS. All complaints not specific to this grant opportunity or the Community Grants Hub's service/s (including the selection process and grant decisions) should be addressed to DSS in writing to complaints@dss.gov.au.

Complaints to the Ombudsman

If you do not agree with the way the Community Grants Hub or DSS has handled your complaint, you may complain to the [Commonwealth Ombudsman](#)⁴⁶. The Ombudsman will not usually look into a complaint unless the matter has first been raised directly with the Community Grants Hub or DSS.

The Commonwealth Ombudsman can be contacted on:

Phone (toll free): 1300 362 072
Email: ombudsman@ombudsman.gov.au
Website: www.ombudsman.gov.au

13.2 Conflicts of interest

Any conflicts of interest could affect the performance of the grant opportunity or program. There may be a conflict of interest, or perceived conflict of interest, if DSS and the Community Grants Hub staff, any member of a committee or advisor and/or you or any of your personnel has a:

- professional, commercial or personal relationship with a party who is able to influence the application selection process, such as an Australian Government officer
- relationship with or interest in, an organisation, which is likely to interfere with or restrict the applicants from carrying out the proposed activities fairly and independently
- relationship with, or interest in, an organisation from which they will receive personal gain because the organisation receives a grant under the grant program/ grant opportunity.

⁴³ <https://www.dss.gov.au/contact/feedback-compliments-complaints-and-enquiries/feedback-form>

⁴⁴ <https://www.dss.gov.au/contact/feedback-compliments-complaints-and-enquiries/complaints-page>

⁴⁵ <https://www.dss.gov.au/contact/feedback-compliments-complaints-and-enquiries/complaints-page>

⁴⁶ <https://www.ombudsman.gov.au/>

You will be asked to declare, as part of your application, any perceived or existing conflicts of interest or that, to the best of your knowledge, there is no conflict of interest.

If you later think there is an actual, apparent, or perceived conflict of interest, you must inform DSS and the Community Grants Hub in writing immediately.

Conflicts of interest for Australian Government staff will be handled as set out in the [Australian Public Service Code of Conduct \(Section 13\(7\)\)](#)⁴⁷ of the [Public Service Act 1999](#)⁴⁸. Committee members and other officials including the decision maker must also declare any conflicts of interest.

We publish our conflict of interest policy on the [Community Grants Hub](#)⁴⁹ website.

13.3 Privacy

We treat your personal information according to the [Privacy Act 1988](#)⁵⁰ and the [Australian Privacy Principles](#)⁵¹. This includes letting you know:

- what personal information we collect
- why we collect your personal information
- who we give your personal information to.

In submitting a grant application under this opportunity, you agree to the Australian Government collecting your personal information, including your name, contact details and role in your organisation, in order to assess your application and for the purpose of grants administration. If you do not provide this information we cannot assess your grant application.

The Australian Government may also use and disclose information collected about you under this grant opportunity in any other Australian Government business or function. This includes disclosing grant information on GrantConnect as required for reporting purposes and giving information to the Australian Taxation Office for compliance purposes.

We may share the information you give us in your application, including personal information, with other Commonwealth entities, the responsible Minister, Assistant Ministers and their staff, and with Members of Parliament, for other purposes including government administration, research or service delivery, or as otherwise authorised or required by Australian law.

As part of your application, you also declare your ability to comply with the Privacy Act and the Australian Privacy Principles and impose the same privacy obligations on officers, employees, agents and subcontractors that you engage to assist with the activity, in respect of personal information you collect, use, store, or disclose in connection with the activity. Accordingly, you must not do anything, which if done by the Australian Government would breach an Australian Privacy Principle as defined in the Privacy Act.

13.4 Confidential information

Other than information available in the public domain, you agree not to give out to any person, other than us, any confidential information relating to the grant application and/or agreement, without our prior written approval. The obligation will not be breached where you are required by

⁴⁷ https://www8.austlii.edu.au/cgi-bin/viewdoc/au/legis/cth/consol_act/psa1999152/s13.html

⁴⁸ <https://www.legislation.gov.au/C2004A00538/latest/versions>

⁴⁹ <https://www.communitygrants.gov.au/conflict-intrest-policy>

⁵⁰ <https://www.legislation.gov.au/C2004A03712/2014-03-12/text>

⁵¹ <https://www.oaic.gov.au/privacy/australian-privacy-principles>

law, Parliament or a stock exchange to disclose the relevant information or where the relevant information is publicly available (other than through breach of a confidentiality or non-disclosure obligation).

We may at any time, require you to arrange for you; or your employees, agents or subcontractors to give a written undertaking relating to nondisclosure of our confidential information in a form we consider acceptable.

We will keep any information in connection with the grant agreement confidential to the extent that it meets all of the 3 conditions below:

1. You clearly identify the information as confidential and explain why we should treat it as confidential.
2. The information is commercially sensitive.
3. Revealing the information would cause unreasonable harm to you or someone else.

We will not be in breach of any confidentiality agreement if the information is disclosed to:

- Commonwealth employees and contractors to help us manage the program effectively
- employees and contractors of our department so we can research, assess, monitor and analyse our programs and activities
- employees and contractors of other Commonwealth agencies for any purposes, including government administration, research or service delivery
- other Commonwealth, state, territory or local government agencies in program reports and consultations
- the Auditor-General, Ombudsman or Privacy Commissioner
- the responsible Minister or Parliamentary Secretary
- a House or a Committee of the Australian Parliament.

The grant agreement may also include any specific requirements about special categories of information collected, created or held under the grant agreement.

13.5 Freedom of information

All documents that the Australian Government has, including those about this grant opportunity, are subject to the [Freedom of Information Act 1982](#)⁵² (FOI Act).

The purpose of the FOI Act gives people the ability to get information held by the Australian Government and its organisations. Under the FOI Act, people can ask for documents the Australian Government has. People may not be able to get these documents if these documents need to protect essential public interests and private and business affairs of persons who the information relates to.

⁵² <https://www.legislation.gov.au/C2004A02562/latest/versions>

All Freedom of Information requests must be referred to the Freedom of Information Coordinator in writing.

By mail: Freedom of Information Team
 Government and Executive Services Branch
 Department of Social Services (DSS)
 GPO Box 9820
 Canberra ACT 2601

By email: foi@dss.gov.au

14. Consultation

DSS developed this grant opportunity through consultation with the following:

- State and territory government officials
- Adolescent Boys at Risk Advisory Group (membership includes officials from Australian Government departments, non-government organisations and a person with lived experience of family and domestic violence)
- Safe and Supported Youth Advisory Group
- Preliminary research and consultation conducted by AIFS.

15. Glossary

Term	Definition
Accessible	A service is accessible if all eligible clients can participate in the service and use the service components, including any physical environment, information and technology.
accountable authority	see subsection 12(2) of the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013 .
administering entity	when an entity that is not responsible for the policy, is responsible for the administration of part or all of the grant administration processes.
assessment criteria	are the specified principles or standards, against which applications will be judged. These criteria are also used to assess the merits of proposals and, in the case of a competitive grant opportunity, to determine application rankings.
commencement date	the expected start date for the grant activity.
Commonwealth entity	a department of state, or a parliamentary department, or a listed entity or a body corporate established by a law of the Commonwealth. See subsections 10(1) and (2) of the PGPA Act.
Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines (CGRGs)	establish the overarching Commonwealth grants policy framework and articulate the expectations for all non-corporate Commonwealth entities in relation to grants administration. Under this overarching framework, non-corporate Commonwealth entities undertake grants administration based on the mandatory requirements and key principles of grants administration.
completion date	the expected date that the grant activity must be completed and the grant spent by.
co-sponsoring entity	when 2 or more entities are responsible for the policy and the appropriation for outcomes associated with it.
culturally appropriate	A culturally appropriate service understands, and is responsive to, a client's cultural beliefs, values and norms.
cultural safety	the positive recognition and celebration of all cultures. It is more than just the absence of racism or discrimination and more than 'cultural awareness' and 'cultural sensitivity'. It empowers people and enables them to contribute and feel safe to be themselves. ⁵³

⁵³ Commonwealth of Australia, Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet 2021, Keeping Our Kids Safe: Cultural Safety and the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations page 7.

Term	Definition
date of effect	can be the date on which a grant agreement is signed or a specified starting date. Where there is no grant agreement, entities must publish information on individual grants as soon as practicable.
decision maker	the person who makes a decision to award a grant.
eligibility criteria	refer to the mandatory criteria which must be met to qualify for a grant. Assessment criteria may apply in addition to eligibility criteria.
family violence	is a broader term than domestic violence, as it refers not only to violence between intimate partners but also to violence perpetrated by parents (and guardians) against children, between other family members and in family-like settings. This includes for example elder abuse, violence perpetrated by children or young people against parents, guardians or siblings, and violence perpetrated by other family members such as parents-in-law. Family violence is also the term Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples prefer because of the ways violence occurs across extended family networks. Family violence can also constitute forms of modern slavery, such as forced marriage and servitude.
funding arrangement manager	is the officer responsible for the ongoing management of the grantee and their compliance with the grant agreement.
grant	for the purposes of the CGRGs, a 'grant' is an arrangement for the provision of financial assistance by the Commonwealth or on behalf of the Commonwealth: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. under which relevant money⁵⁴ or other Consolidated Revenue Fund (CRF) money⁵⁵ is to be paid to a grantee other than the Commonwealth b. which is intended to help address one or more of the Australian Government's policy outcomes while assisting the grantee achieve its objectives.
grant activity/activities	refers to the project/tasks/services that the grantee is required to undertake.
grant agreement	sets out the relationship between the parties to the agreement, and specifies the details of the grant.
grant opportunity	refers to the specific grant round or process where a Commonwealth grant is made available to potential grantees. Grant opportunities may be open or targeted, and will reflect the relevant grant selection process.

⁵⁴ Relevant money is defined in the PGPA Act. See section 8, Dictionary.

⁵⁵ Other CRF money is defined in the PGPA Act. See section 105, Rules in relation to other CRF money.

Term	Definition
grant program	a 'program' carries its natural meaning and is intended to cover a potentially wide range of related activities aimed at achieving government policy outcomes. A grant program is a group of one or more grant opportunities under a single [entity] Portfolio Budget Statement Program.
GrantConnect	is the Australian Government's whole-of-government grants information system, which centralises the publication and reporting of Commonwealth grants in accordance with the CGRGs.
Grantee	the individual/organisation which has been selected to receive a grant.
Portfolio Budget Statement (PBS) Program	described within the entity's Portfolio Budget Statement , PBS programs each link to a single outcome and provide transparency for funding decisions. These high-level PBS programs often comprise a number of lower level, more publicly recognised programs, some of which will be grant programs. A PBS program may have more than one grant program associated with it, and each of these may have one or more grant opportunities.
Selection Advisory Panel	provides strategic oversight, advice and recommendations to the decision maker on assessed applications from the program specific, service provider composition and service location perspectives.
selection criteria	comprise eligibility criteria and assessment criteria.
selection process	the method used to select potential grantees. This process may involve comparative assessment of applications or the assessment of applications against the eligibility criteria and/or the assessment criteria.
sexual violence	refers to sexual activity that happens where consent is not obtained or freely given. It occurs any time a person is forced, coerced or manipulated into any unwanted sexual activity, such as touching, sexual harassment and intimidation, forced marriage, trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation, sexual abuse, sexual assault, and rape. Sexual assault is only one type of sexual violence and does not include sexual harassment, or broader and complex forms of sexual violence, such as technology-facilitated or image-based abuse.

Term	Definition
trauma-informed	<p>Trauma-informed care and practice recognises the prevalence of trauma and its impacts on the emotional, psychological and social wellbeing of people and communities.</p> <p>Trauma-informed practice means integrating an understanding of past and current experiences of violence and trauma in all aspects of service delivery.</p> <p>The goal of trauma-informed systems is to avoid re-traumatising individuals, and support safety, choice and control to promote healing.</p>
value with money	<p>refers to ‘value with relevant money’ which is a judgement based on the grant proposal representing an efficient, effective, economical and ethical use of public resources and determined from a variety of considerations.</p> <p>When administering a grant opportunity, an official should consider the relevant financial and non-financial costs and benefits of each proposal including, but not limited to the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ quality of the project proposal and activities ▪ fit for purpose of the proposal in contributing to government objectives ▪ absence of a grant is likely to prevent the grantee and government’s outcomes being achieved ▪ potential grantee’s relevant experience and performance history.
victim-survivors	<p>people who have experienced family and domestic violence. This term is understood to acknowledge the strength and resilience shown by people who have experienced or are currently living with violence.</p> <p>People who have experienced violence have different preferences about how they would like to be identified and may choose to use ‘victim’ or ‘survivor’ separately, or another term altogether. Some people prefer to use ‘people who experience, or are at risk of experiencing, violence’.</p>

Appendix A. Service delivery organisations invited to apply in each trial site

The Minister for Social Services agreed to the selection of trial sites based on DSS recommendations developed through:

- DSS desktop research and data analysis considering the population, data on FDSV rates in the region and existing service landscape to identify regions where there is potential to offer the service as a supplement to existing services, and where there is availability of relevant referral services
- DSS consideration of the intent for the trial to be delivered in each state and territory and a mix of geographic regions including metropolitan, regional and remote areas
- DSS consultations with Australian Government and state and territory government officials
- preliminary research and consultation conducted by AIFS, including national service mapping.

Criteria for selecting the trial sites included the existing service landscape, as the trial service will be supplementary to existing services for young men and boys and their affected family members, carers and intimate partners. Other factors included the potential need for the service based on FDSV rates in the location, geographical spread among metropolitan, regional and remote locations, and projected workforce capacity.

While First Nations young men and adolescent boys might be supported at any trial site, the Alice Springs and Broome trial sites have been identified as trial sites dedicated to support First Nations peoples. This is due to the relatively high proportion of First Nations people living in these regions, the likely need for such a service, and the presence of complementary services already operating in the area indicating capacity within the sites. Each of the organisations invited to apply for the grant in these trial sites is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisation.

The Minister for Social Services agreed to the list of service delivery organisations invited to apply to deliver the grant in each trial site based on DSS recommendations. These recommendations were developed to identify organisations already delivering relevant services in the trial sites which were assessed as likely to have capability to build on their existing expertise and service offering to deliver the trial service:

- DSS desktop research
- DSS consultations with Australian Government and state and territory government officials
- preliminary research and consultation conducted by AIFS, including national service mapping.

Trial Sites (state or territory)	Invited organisations for the trial site	ABN
Moree Plains (New South Wales)	Armidale Centacare New England North West Limited	88 655 499 611
Moree Plains (New South Wales)	Miyay Birray Youth Service Incorporated	56 443 907 244
Moree Plains (New South Wales)	Moree Family Support Inc	48 082 184 719
Newcastle (New South Wales)	The University of Newcastle	15 736 576 735

Newcastle (New South Wales)	Allambi Care Limited	24 097 262 459
Newcastle (New South Wales)	Jenny's Place Inc	28 646 270 077
Hume (Victoria)	Berry Street Victoria Inc.	24 719 196 762
Hume (Victoria)	Uniting (Victoria and Tasmania) Limited	81 098 317 125
Hume (Victoria)	Sunbury Community Health Centre Limited	32 084 682 579
Greater Shepparton (Victoria)	The Bridge Youth Service Inc	38 045 799 398
Greater Shepparton (Victoria)	Australian Childhood Foundation	28 057 044 514
Greater Shepparton (Victoria)	Goulburn Valley Family Care Inc.	99 5728 205 84
Ipswich and Logan (Queensland)	Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (Q.) represented by UnitingCare Community	28 728 322 186
Ipswich and Logan (Queensland)	YFS LTD	58 239 250 649
Ipswich and Logan (Queensland)	Domestic Violence Action Centre (Inc.	91 593 855 217
Rockhampton (Queensland)	Helem Yumba Incorporated	78 308 133 279
Rockhampton (Queensland)	CatholicCare Central Queensland	90 507 529 241
Rockhampton (Queensland)	Darumbal Community Youth Service Inc.	55 066 537 031
Playford (South Australia)	Catholic Church Endowment Society	29 608 297 012
Playford (South Australia)	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	19 119 188 500
Playford (South Australia)	Uniting Communities Incorporated	33 174 490 373
Port Augusta (South Australia)	Centacare Catholic Country SA Limited	26 618 419 962
Port Augusta (South Australia)	Kornar Winmil Yunti Aboriginal Corporation	79 793 671 838
Port Augusta (South Australia)	Uniting Country SA Ltd	32 415 186 787
Joondalup (Western Australia)	Anglicare WA Inc.	32 797 454 970
Joondalup (Western Australia)	Centrecare Incorporated	98 651 6091 61
Joondalup (Western Australia)	Communicare Group Limited	27 768 389 307
Broome (Western Australia) First Nations site	Mens Outreach Service Aboriginal Corporation	24 744 105 088

Broome (Western Australia) First Nations site	Nirrumbuk Aboriginal Corporation	72 899 384 821
Hobart and surrounds (Tasmania)	Colony 47 Inc.	50 935 329 686
Hobart and surrounds (Tasmania)	Relationships Australia Tasmania Ltd	88890705424
Hobart and surrounds (Tasmania)	Catholiccare Victoria Tasmania	32 150 113 947
Launceston and surrounds (Tasmania)	Colony 47 Inc.	50 935 329 686
Launceston and surrounds (Tasmania)	Launceston Police & Community Youth Club Inc	43 436 232 673
Launceston and surrounds (Tasmania)	Relationships Australia Tasmania Ltd	88890705424
Alice Springs (Northern Territory) First Nations site	Tangentyere Council Aboriginal Corporation	81 688 672 692
Alice Springs (Northern Territory) First Nations site	Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantatjara Yankunytjatjara Women's Council Aboriginal Corporation	77 902 127 562
Alice Springs (Northern Territory) First Nations site	Desert Knowledge Australia	20 758 725 597
Australian Capital Territory	Canberra Police Community Youth Club Inc	71 012 467 609
Australian Capital Territory	Conflict Resolution Service	65 639 472 211
Australian Capital Territory	The Trustees of the Roman Catholic Church for the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn as Trustees for Marymead CatholicCare Canberra & Goulburn	90 046 512 373