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Senator Rachel Siewert asked:

Can you please provide a full list of discussions the interviewers and evaluators have held with community leaders and the broader community regarding the Cashless Debit Card and how many people have attended?

Answer:

A total of 37 stakeholders and community leaders were involved across Ceduna and East Kimberley for the Evaluation of the Cashless Debit Card Trial - Initial Conditions Report (ICR) and 73 for the Cashless Debit Card Trial Evaluation - Wave 1 Interim Evaluation Report. A full list of stakeholders and community leaders is set out in the qualitative research methodology section of the Evaluation of the Cashless Debit Card Trial - Initial Conditions Report (page 4) and in Appendix D of the Cashless Debit Card Trial Evaluation - Wave 1 Interim Evaluation Report.

The data collection with the broader community in the Cashless Debit Card Trial Evaluation - Wave 1 Interim Evaluation Report used a survey methodology which involved systematically approaching individuals in commonly frequented central locations using a predefined process.