Senate Community Affairs Committee

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Topic: Child Protection Measure in Western Australia

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Senator Siewert asked:

In relation to the survey being undertaken on the child protection measure in Western Australia, please provide a copy of the survey questions and who is being surveyed, or the evaluation and who is participating in that process. Please include the numbers and locations of the organisations participating in the evaluation.

Answer:

Methodology

The evaluation of the Child Protection Scheme of Income Management trials in Western Australia uses in-depth interviews rather than a survey. An example of an interview guide that was used for financial counsellors and money management workers is attached.

Who is participating in this process?

Interviews have been conducted in Perth, the Kimberley and the Goldfields as set out below:

- Forty Department for Child Protection income managed clients;
- Four Government organisations, including:
 - o Western Australia Department for Child Protection;
 - o Department of Human Services;
 - Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs; and
 - o Western Australia Police.
- Eight non-Government Organisations, including financial counselling and/or money management services providers.