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Question

Work for the Dole insurance policy - death

Senator CAMERON: This Work for the Dole participant had serious injuries to the neck and, if those injuries had resulted in death, the family of that worker, if the worker had dependents, would have had \$250,000 maximum?

Ms Milliken: I will need to take on notice the death benefit. I do not have that with me.

Answer

Under the Department's Group Personal Accident Insurance Policy, the maximum Capital Death Benefit for a Work for the Dole participant is \$250,000.

In addition, if the participant suffers a work-related injury which results in death, the policy provides for:

- a surviving spouse benefit of \$5,000
- a dependent children benefit of \$5,000 for each dependent child to a maximum of \$15,000.

These benefits are subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of the policy.

In addition, a job seeker may also be able to seek compensation from other parties, for example a host organisation. Further details are set out in the response to Question on Notice EMSQ16-000077.