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Question

EMPLOYMENT PATHWAY PLANS

Has the Department had any concerns with the content of Employment Pathways Plans? Is the Department monitoring these via desktop monitoring, or on site visits?

Answer

The department monitors Employment Pathway Plans to assess whether they are tailored to participant circumstances and goals.

Employment Pathway Plans of job seekers, whether in employment services or managed by Centrelink, are primarily reviewed viadesktop monitoring which includes analysis of a sample of Employment Pathway Plans. Where the department has concerns with the content of particularEmployment Pathway Plans, the department provides advice and feedback to the provider or Centrelink.