

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO**  
**2013-14 Additional Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** Cross Outcome - Across Programs

**Question No:** 19

**Topic:** FOFMS

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Moore** asked:

Will the Department provide an update on the background of the FOFMS reporting schedule and format? Will the Minister commit, in the context of the coming Budget and the National Commission of Audit, to continuing the current system of maintaining publicised grants on the departmental website for two years? If not, what is the justification for any change?

**Answer:**

In line with the requirements in the Commonwealth Grant Guidelines, the Department currently publishes its approved grants on its website, and will continue to do so, maintaining each grant for two years following its expiration.

The Department is in the process transitioning Settlement Services, Disability Employment Services and Aged Care grants to the website and these will all be available by 1 July 2014.

The list of DSS grants as at 20 March 2014 includes all ex-FaHCSIA grants, and those Aged Care grants that have been executed from February 2014. This list can be accessed at:

<http://www.dss.gov.au/grants-funding/grants-funding>.