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Question:

How many of the 38 Aboriginal Children and Family Centres applied for funding under the IAS?

- a. How many Centres were successful in the competitive round?
- b. How many Centres were funded as part of the gap fill process?
- c. How many Centres were not successful?
- d. Detail the quantum and purpose of funding and the contract period for each Centre that received funding under the IAS.

Answer:

Of the 38 Aboriginal Children and Family Centres (Centres), 36 applied for funding under the IAS. Of the 36 Centres that applied for funding under the IAS:

- a. 30 were successful in the competitive round.
- b. One received additional funding as part of the gap fill process.
- c. Five were unsuccessful following the gap fill process.
- d. A total of \$26.7 million is being provided to the 31 Centres over two and a half years (1 July 2015 to 30 December 2017) to deliver a wide range of early childhood projects including child care, playgroups, parenting services and support. Funding agreement details, including funding amounts and activities at individual Centres, are still under negotiation and unable to be released at this stage, however will be published in line with Commonwealth Grant Rules and Guidelines once funding agreements with providers have been finalised.