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Senator: Senator Rachel Siewert

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Question:

Senator SIEWERT: This is about financial planning for things like Money Matters. I am sure it is under IAS. The feedback I have had from some of the people I have spoken to is that some of the funding they used to get to deliver just their program has now been expanded to cover five centres. So they are saying it is not even going to be left to the assessment processes; they simply are not going to get the amount of funding they got to provide the program because it is now being stretched out over a much bigger region.

Ms Carroll: I will take that on notice and see what we can find out about that particular element.

Senator SIEWERT: In terms of the overall regional allocation of funding and where it sits?

Ms Carroll: Yes.

Senator SIEWERT: Sorry. As I said, I am still having some problems working out where some of those sit. Would it fit here in wellbeing?

Ms Carroll: We will double-check for you and get you an answer on that.

Answer:

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet does not administer a financial management programme under the Indigenous Advancement Strategy. The Department of Social Services, however, administers the Australian Government's Financial Wellbeing and Capability Activity (previously known as the Financial Management Programme).