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Question

Job Network Service Fees for the first three months after commencement in Intensive Support.

Ms Caldwell indicated that the \$688 figure that we were discussing before included some compensation for future services. Can I get you to do the calculation for the exact figure within the three-month period? I do not want a figure that relates to anything past that first three-month period in relation to the services fee.

Answer

Under the current Job Network contract, a provider is entitled to the following service fees in respect of job seekers in the first three months following registration:

- (a) for a new referral to Job Search Support, a service fee of \$63 (\$94 for highly disadvantaged job seekers); or
- (b) for a re-referral to Job Search Support, a service fee of \$26 (\$39 for highly disadvantaged job seekers); or
- (c) for commencement in Intensive Support Customised Assistance for Highly Disadvantaged job seekers, a service fee of \$1250 for six months of Intensive Support Customised Assistance services; and/or
- (c) on commencing a job seeker who is a parent, carer or is mature age (50 years plus) with no recent work experience into Employment Preparation, a service fee of \$160.

The service fees in (a) and (b) above are paid quarterly with (c) and (d) paid on commencement into Intensive Support Customised Assistance or Employment Preparation as applicable.

Job seekers do not normally commence in Intensive Support services, including Job Search Training, until after this first three months of service.