

RIS consultation advertisements and dates

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The Canberra Times	11/07/09	
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New South Wales		
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The Daily Telegraph	18/07/09	
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Bathurst Western Advocate	18/07/09	
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- **Orange:** Wednesday 29 July 2009, 9:30am – 12 noon, at the Country Comfort, Bathurst Rd, Orange;
- **Sydney (CBD):** Wednesday 29 July 2009, 6:00 – 8:30pm, in the Ionic Room (ground floor), Sydney Masonic Centre, 66 Gouburn St (corner Castlereagh St), Sydney; and
- **Parramatta:** Thursday 30 July 2009, 10:00am – 12:30pm in the Hunter Phillip Room (ground floor), Crowne Plaza, 30 Phillip St. Parramatta.

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There will also be a Westlink session from 9:30am to 11:30am on Thursday, 23 July 2009.

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The Consultation RIS assesses the relative costs and benefits of each of the options. A final decision on the reforms will need to balance the benefits of improved quality for children and families with the associated costs.

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Comments are now invited from all interested people on the draft proposals contained in the RIS.

A series of open public information sessions will take place in July. Information on the proposed reforms will be provided at these forums, as will information on how to provide your views.

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