



# Consultation on Income Management

## Stakeholder toolkit

### Purpose

This stakeholder toolkit provides information about consultation on the future of Income Management (IM), to help you share information in your community on upcoming sessions.

The Department of Social Services (the department) wants to hear directly from people to provide advice back to government to inform future policies, including what the future of IM could look like.

### Introduction

The Australian Government has committed to consulting on the future of IM with First Nations Australians, community members and their leaders, service providers and other stakeholders.

The department, in partnership with First Nations-owned company ETM Perspectives (ETMP), is undertaking consultation to hear people's views on the future of IM.

During consultation, the department and ETMP want to understand issues affecting communities and what support may be needed.

We want to hear from people about:

- the role of Income Management in each community
- if individuals or communities want to keep a form of Income Management
- how voluntary Income Management could work in each community
- what help and support is needed to move away from compulsory Income Management.

People can attend and share their views during consultation sessions in communities across Australia.

### Help us spread the message

To ensure the future of IM reflects the needs of individuals and their communities, we need your help to share information on consultation sessions.

Communication materials are available on [engage.dss.gov.au/incomemanagement](https://engage.dss.gov.au/incomemanagement). Materials include self-print posters that you can edit to include the location, date, and time of upcoming consultation sessions in your community.

You can also use the material below to encourage participation.

## Social media

### Post content

The Australian Government wants to hear your views on Income Management and having restrictions placed on how you can spend your income. The Government is consulting with communities on whether this should stop or if it should stay in your community.

Tell us what you think about Income Management.

Come to a community consultation happening in [insert location] at [time] on [date].

To find out more, go to [engage.dss.gov.au/incomemanagement](https://engage.dss.gov.au/incomemanagement)

### Social media tile



## News articles for e-newsletter or webpage

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The Department of Social Services and First Nations-owned company ETM Perspectives are visiting a number of communities and want to speak to you about:

- the role of Income Management in your community
- if you would like to keep Income Management
- how voluntary Income Management could work in your community
- what help is needed to move away from compulsory Income Management

Community consultation is happening in [insert location] at [time] on [date].

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## How to get involved

To find out more, go to:

- [dss.gov.au/welfare-reform](https://dss.gov.au/welfare-reform) for information on IM and enhanced IM
- [engage.dss.gov.au/incomemanagement](https://engage.dss.gov.au/incomemanagement) or scan our QR code, for communication materials, and information on where consultation sessions are happening and when.

