



# Budget October 2022-23

This information is accurate as of 25 October 2022.

## Fraud Fusion Taskforce

This measure will provide funding to set up a multi-agency Fraud Fusion Taskforce. This will strengthen the Australian Government's fraud detection and response capability.

The Taskforce will initially focus on the National Disability Insurance Scheme. It will also include broader fraud detection and prevention benefits for other government agencies, including Services Australia.

It will strengthen intelligence sharing between government agencies. This will enhance their ability to prevent, detect and respond to fraud by those seeking to exploit the Australian Government's system of social supports. This includes serious organised crime entities.

Services Australia will provide specialist intelligence staff and forensic services capability to the Fraud Fusion Taskforce.

In addition, this measure will provide funding to continue the joint Services Australia and Australian Federal Police Taskforce Integrity to 30 June 2024. The scope of work undertaken within Taskforce Integrity will be combined with the Fraud Fusion Taskforce during 2023-24.

Services Australia has been allocated \$1.6 million in 2022-23 and \$23.6 million over 4 years to implement this measure.

This measure is not subject to the passage of legislation.

### **Who does this measure affect?**

This will support government agencies to protect the integrity of Australia's social supports system. It will also provide greater assurance to program participants, providers, our customers and taxpayers.

### **When will this start and finish?**

This will start on 1 November 2022 and will end on 30 June 2026.