



Queensland Treasury Response to  
Commonwealth Grants Commission  
Draft Report

## Treatment of Commonwealth Payments

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### ***Treatment of Commonwealth Payments***

Significant changes have occurred in the range and delivery of Commonwealth payments to states, including National Agreements and National Partnership payments. The *Inter-Governmental Agreement on Federal Financial Relations* signed by the Council of Australian Governments in 2008 contained directions on the treatment of Commonwealth Payments by the Commission.

Queensland has sought to assist the Commission obtain clear direction, through its Terms of Reference, on how to deal with Commonwealth Payments, and understands the Commission will be given further direction in its final Terms of Reference.