

WORK PROGRAM FOR 2020 REVIEW

Date (a)	Event
2016	
28 November	Terms of reference received.
1 December	State views on work program processes sought.
2017	
February-March	States and Commonwealth consulted and work program finalised.
April	Officer Working Party (OWP) of Commission and State officials commenced examination of specific issues. Work program agreed and work started.
Mid May	Staff released a paper on approach to the review, HFE, supporting principles and their implementation, including assessment guidelines. Series of supporting research/background papers released.
End July	State submissions received on staff paper on approach to the review, HFE, supporting principles and their implementation, including assessment guidelines.
Late August/Sept	Bilateral discussions between the Commission and States on submissions.
End September	Commission paper sent to States on approach to the review, HFE, supporting principles and their implementation, including assessment guidelines.
October-November	Staff and Treasury officer initial discussions on assessment issues for the 2020 Review.
2018	
End Feb	State submissions on approach to review, the objective(s), supporting principles and their implementation.
April	Preliminary staff paper released to States on the scope of HFE and assessment structure, treatment of Commonwealth payments, category and factor assessments.
June to September	Commission visits to States for discussions on assessment issues, including service delivery needs. Bilateral meetings with Treasurers/HotTs to cover key issues, if required.
June to December	OWP meetings to discuss/report on specific issues.
End August	State submissions on scope and structure, treatment of Commonwealth payments, category and factor assessments.
2019	
25 June	Release of draft report to the Commonwealth.
6 August	Release of draft report to the States.
12 August	Data requests to States.
August/September	Commission staff bilateral meetings with States to discuss the draft report. Possible multilateral meeting between Commission and HotTs to discuss draft report.
27 September	State submissions on draft report due.
8 October	New issues paper issued by Commission staff.
18 October	State data requests due.
22 November	State submissions on new issues due.
29 November	Commission paper to States on significant changes to draft report.
31 December	State submissions due on significant changes to draft report.
2020	
28 February	Final report to the Commonwealth and States.

(a) Last amended September 2019 following release of draft report to States.