



# Western Australian Submission to the Commonwealth Grants Commission 2017 Update

New Issues September 2016

This submission responds to the Commonwealth Grants Commission's (CGC's) discussion paper CGC 2016-05-S.

## Sharing of Confidential State Data

We support the proposal for the CGC to share non-confidential State data among States which have not designated their data as confidential, provided any data designated as confidential by States cannot be back solved from the assessment outcome.

## Commonwealth Payments Commenced in 2015-16

### Established Pest and Weed Management

The discussion paper proposes that this payment impact on the relativities. However, this payment is for protection of the environment, for which the CGC does not assess needs. Hence, under the CGC's guideline, this payment should not impact on the relativities.