



Coversheet

Changes to Income and Cash Assets Regulations – Exempting Lump-Sum Payments made by the Ministry of Social Development

Hon Carmel Sepuloni, Minister for Social Development

These documents have been proactively released.

Cabinet minute confirmed on 16 September 2019.

16 September 2019, Changes to Income and Cash Assets Regulations – Exempting Lump-Sum Payments Made by the Ministry of Social Development, Office of the Minister for Social Development

Cabinet has agreed to amend the Social Security Regulations 2018 and the Residential Care and Disability Support Services Regulations 2018 so that payments made by the Ministry of Social Development are exempt from income and cash assets tests for eligibility to access specified forms of government financial assistance.

Some parts of this information release would not be appropriate to release and, if requested, would be withheld under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Where this is the case, the relevant sections of the Act that would apply have been identified. Where information has been withheld, no public interest has been identified that would outweigh the reasons for withholding it. This is the key to the redaction codes used for this release:

- Section 9(2)(a): This information is withheld to protect the privacy of natural persons. The need to protect the privacy of these individuals outweighs any public interest in this information.
- Section 9(2)(f)(iv): This information is under active consideration. The release of this information at this time would be likely to prejudice the ability of government to consider advice and the wider public interest of effective government would not be served.
- 9(2)(h): This information is withheld in order to maintain legal professional privilege. The greater public interest is in ensuring that government agencies are able to continue to access confidential legal advice.
- Out of scope: Material unrelated to the information released.

[© Crown Copyright, Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International \(CC BY 4.0\)](#)

Search Tags: Exemption, exemptions, lump-sum, income and cash assets tests