Organisational Structure

DSS Executive

Secretary – Finn Pratt

Deputy Secretaries reporting to the Secretary

* Deputy Secretary – Serena Wilson, Social Security
* Deputy Secretary – Barbara Bennett, Families & Communities
* Deputy Secretary & Chief Operating Officer – Michael Lye Acting, Corporate & Delivery
* Deputy Secretary – Felicity Hand, Disabilities & Housing
* Deputy Secretary – Carolyn Smith Acting, Ageing & Aged Care

Deputy Secretary Areas of Responsibility

Deputy Secretary – Serena Wilson, Social Security

Payments Policy – Cath Halbert – Group Manager

* Labour Market Payments Policy – Ty Emerson, Branch Manager
* Age, Disability & Carer Payments Policy – Michalina Stawyskyj, Branch Manager
* Family & Students Payments Policy – Flora Carapellucci, Branch Manager (Diana Lindenmayer Acting)

Social Security Policy – Paul McBride, Group Manager (Alanna Foster Acting to late 2014)

* Rates and Means Testing Policy – Andrew Whitecross, Branch Manager (Ian Joyce Acting)
* Eligibility & Participation Policy – Alanna Foster, Branch Manager (Peter Hutchinson Acting)
* Social Security Performance & Analysis – Murray Kimber, Branch Manager

Policy Office – Sean Innis, Group Manager

* Policy Strategy – Allyson Essex, Branch Manager
* Policy Systems – Kathryn Mandla, Branch Manager
* Policy Evidence – David Dennis, Branch Manager

Welfare System Taskforce (to late 2014) – Paul McBride, Group Manager

* Welfare System Taskforce – Mary McLarty, Acting Branch Manager

**Welfare Reform – Andrew Whitecross – Acting Group Manager**

* Welfare Reform – Danielle Donegan, Acting Branch Manager

Deputy Secretary – Barbara Bennett, Families & Communities

**Multicultural, Settlement Services & Communities – Cate McKenzie, Group Manager**

* Multicultural & Communities – Warren Pearson, Branch Manager
* Settlement – Kris Cala, Branch Manager
* Family Safety – Jill Farrelly, Branch Manager

Programme Office – Tim Reddel, Group Manager

* Civil Society & Programme Delivery Policy – Trish Woolley, Branch Manager
* Programme Systems & Strategy – Chantelle Stratford, Acting Branch Manager
* Programme Operations – Leo Kennedy, Branch Manager
* Programme Performance – Helen Board, Branch Manager

Families – Michael Lye, Group Manager (Liz Hefren-Webb Acting)

* Birth, Adoption & Care – Phil Brown, Branch Manager
* Families & Children – Eliza Strapp, Acting Branch Manager
* Financial & Social Capability – Liz Hefren-Webb, Branch Manager (Lara Purdy Acting)

Deputy Secretary & Chief Operating Officer – Michael Lye Acting, Corporate & Delivery

Delivery Strategy & Operations – Iain Scott, Group Manager

* National Delivery – Dave Agnew, Branch Manager
* Delivery, Strategy & Performance – TBA, Branch Manager
* Northern Territory – Amanda Vallance, State Manager
* South Australia – Christine Steele, State Manager
* Victoria – Bernadette Ryan, State Manager
* Tasmania – Anthony Speed, State Manager
* New South Wales/Australian Capital Territory – Lucelle Veneros, State Manager
* Western Australia – Helen Grinbergs, State Manager
* Queensland – Liz Cain, State Manager

Finance & Services – Scott Dilley, Acting Group Manager

* Financial Accounting – Stephen Sheehan, Branch Manager
* Financial Management – Kurt Munro, Branch Manager (TBA, Acting Branch Manager)
* Budget Development – Scott Dilley, Branch Manager (Tracey Carroll Acting)

Legal Services – Janean Richards, Chief Legal Counsel and Group Manager

* Commercial & Aged Care Law – Matthew Roper, Branch Manager
* Public Law – Joanna Carey, Branch Manager
* SSAT Registrar – Louise Anderson, Branch Manager

Information Management & Technology – Peter Qui, Group Manager

* Corporate & Data Services – Sebastian Hood, Branch Manager
* Application Services – Watson Blaikie, Branch Manager
* IT Operations – Helen Duke, Acting Branch Manager
* Shared Services – Scott Glare, Branch Manager
* Aged Care Business Systems – Sharon McCarter, Branch Manager

Corporate Support – Margaret McKinnon, Group Manager

* Ministerial, Parliamentary & Executive Support – Sharon Bailey, Branch Manager
* Communication & Media – Tracey Bell, Branch Manager
* People – Shona Moloney, Branch Manager
* People Branch Projects – Shirley Browne, Branch Manager
* Enterprise Agreement – Kurt Munro, Branch Manager

**Deregulation, Assurance & Property – Steve Jennaway, Group Manager**

* Project & Deregulation Office – Tristan Reed, Acting Branch Manager
* Project & Deregulation Office – Ros Baxter, Branch Manager
* Property, Environment, Procurement & Security – Peter Broadhead, Branch Manager
* Assurance – Jan Lawless, Branch Manager

Deputy Secretary – Felicity Hand, Disabilities & Housing

Housing, Homelessness & Gambling – Bryan Palmer, Group Manager

* Homelessness, NRAS & Gambling – Susan Black, Principal Advisor
* Housing & Analysis – John Riley, Branch Manager

Specialist Employment Services – Fiona Buffinton, Group Manager

* Disability Employment Services Programme – Lis Kelly, Branch Manager
* Disability Employment Services Policy – Sharon Stuart, Branch Manager
* Disability Employment Services Compliance – Lyn Murphy, Branch Manager

Disability & Carers – Evan Lewis, Group Manager

* Disability & Carers Policy – Karen Wilson, Branch Manager
* NDIS Transition & Disability Service – Mitchell Cole, Acting Branch Manager
* BSWAT Employment Response Team – Laura Angus, Branch Manager
* Mental Health – Karen Pickering, Branch Manager

NDIS – Nick Hartland, Group Manager

* Policy & Legislation – Alison Smith, Branch Manager
* Policy & Legislation – Bruce Smith, Branch Manager
* Governance & Stakeholder Relations – Deborah Winkler, Branch Manager
* Financial Policy & Performance – Jillian Moses, Branch Manager

Deputy Secretary – Carolyn Smith Acting, Ageing & Aged Care

Aged Care Quality & Compliance – James Christian, Group Manager

* Aged Care Complaints – Bernadette Walker, Acting Branch Manager
* Prudential & Approved Provider Regulation – Damian Coburn, Branch Manager
* Quality & Monitoring – Michael Culhane, Branch Manager
* Senior Nurse Advisor – Susan Hunt, Branch Manager

Aged Care Policy & Reform – Carolyn Smith, Group Manager (Rachel Balmanno Acting)

* Policy & Evaluation – Russell de Burgh, Branch Manager
* Access Reform – Craig Harris, Branch Manager
* Finance & Funding – Nigel Murray, Branch Manager
* Transition Office – Rachel Balmanno, Branch Manager (Kerrie Westcott Acting)

**Ageing & Aged Care Services – Donna Moody**

* Home & Community Care – Ben Vincent, Branch Manager
* Aged Care Programmes – Shona McQueen, Branch Manager
* Ageing & Service Improvement – Louise O’Neill, Acting Branch Manager

The Department of Social Services Portfolio Bodies and Statutory Office Holders

* [Australian Institute of Family Studies](http://www.aifs.gov.au/)
* [National Disability Insurance](http://www.disabilitycareaustralia.gov.au/) Agency
* [Social Security Appeals Tribunal](http://www.ssat.gov.au/)
* Australian Aged Care Quality Agency
* Aged Care Commissioner
* Aged Care Pricing Commissioner