

Key Outcomes

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Title:	PLS working group – Key outcomes		
Issue date:	10 June 2022		
Venue:	WebEx		
Event date:	7 June 2022	Start: 1:00pm	Finish: 1:25pm
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Agenda item: 1 - Welcome

Sonya opened the meeting and welcomed the group.

Agenda item: 2 - Change Advices affecting Tax Time 2022 Overview

The following measures were discussed:

- CA 2022-010: Australian Agricultural (AAV) visas and Pacific Australia Labour Mobility (PALM) visas
- CA 2022-011: Deductibility of Covid-19 Testing
- CA 2022-012: Low and middle income tax offset \$420 increase

There was a question around the recently announced Small business skills and training boost and Small business technology investment boost – as the measure is not yet law, it is subject to a decision from the new Government. Businesses can continue to deduct expenses under the existing tax law.

Agenda item: 3 - Action item updates

There are currently no open action items. (see action items)

Agenda item: 4 – Tax time related documentation

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Business and Referred publications

The 2022_Draft_Business_Referred_Publications zip file contains current and updated draft instructions previously uploaded including:

Draft Company tax return instructions 2022.pdf

Draft Losses schedule instructions 2022.pdf

Draft Life insurance companies taxation schedule explanatory notes 2022.pdf

Draft Guide to foreign income tax offset rules 2022.pdf

Draft Franking account tax return instructions 2022.pdf

Draft Consolidated groups losses schedule instructions 2022.pdf

Draft AMIT instructions 2022.pdf

Draft SAP Research and development tax incentive schedule instructions 2022.pdf

Draft RD tax incentive schedule instructions 2022.pdf

Draft Fund income tax return instructions 2022.docx

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International dealings schedule instructions

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Loss carry back change in choice schedule 2021
Loss carry back change in choice schedule 2022

Agenda item: 5 - Update on general matters and Tax time delivery

SBR2 will be available for deployment from 20 June. DSPs will be whitelisted after testing and submitting their request for PVT after this date. The safety net will still be on, meaning lodgments are suspended until it is lifted early in July and then they will be released. Agents can lodge if the product they are using is whitelisted however prefill won't be available and as previously advised it is not ideal to lodge.

Agenda item: 6 - Delivery update

There was an adhoc release last week to address bug fixes in EVTE prior to release into PROD. There were issues in PROD last week, 28 May to 2 June however these were resolved. There are a couple of bugs being looked at for Q2, and systems are as ready as they can be. There are issues and questions coming in and these are being looked at in the background.

July updates will be provided via Tax time 2022 PLS Additional Information FAQs

Agenda item: 7 - Platform update

There were issues last week in SBR in Production and EVTE that impacted many ATO systems. The 20 May outage for both environments was related to the same issue with ATO network devices.

Further investigations are being conducted with the Activity Statement service for SBR1 and SBR2 which are related to backend systems.

Stuck STP messages due to SBR2 degradation of service are being replayed.

Agenda item: 7 – Agent online environment update

Progressing nicely towards testing of Tax Time with agents, and no other issues or updates to give.

Agenda item: 8 – DSP communications update

The DSP newsletter being issued on Wednesday and will feature an update from Assistant Commissioner Elly Stinchcombe. The newsletter will have a 'new look' from July in line with a rebrand of other ATO newsletters and new design that ensures easier readability.

The software developers website content is still under review and will continue over the

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coming months.

A reminder was given to select 'watch' on the <u>Unplanned system issues</u> in Online services for DSPs for notifications and status updates.

Agenda item: 9 – DSP feedback

For certificate updates, please visit:

https://developer.sbr.gov.au/collaborate/display/DSD/Upcoming+certificate+updates

The draft Loss carry back change in choice schedules for 2021 and 2022 were published on 10 June 2022.

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