



Australian Government

Department of Finance

The Treasury

## PUBLIC RELEASE OF 2019 ELECTION COMMITMENT COSTING

<b>Name of proposal costed: Lymphoedema Garments and Allied Health Therapy programs</b>	
<b>Costing Identifier:</b>	COA058
<b>Summary of costing:</b>	To provide \$2.0 million per annum from 2019-20 to states and territories to support a nationally consistent approach to the provision of subsidised specialist compression garments for people with lymphoedema.
<b>Ongoing or Terminating (including date)<sup>(a)</sup></b>	Ongoing
<b>Person making the request:</b>	Prime Minister
<b>Date costing request received:</b>	13 May 2019
<b>Date of public release of policy:</b>	12 May 2019
<b>Date costing completed:</b>	15 May 2019
<b>Additional information requested (including date):</b>	Not applicable
<b>Additional information received (including date):</b>	Not applicable

(a) Ongoing policies continue indefinitely (until a decision is made to cease or alter the program).

Terminating measures end on a date set out in the initial policy and a further decision is required to continue the program beyond this date.

### Financial implications (outturn prices)<sup>(b)</sup>

Impact on	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Underlying Cash Balance (\$m)	0.0	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0
Fiscal Balance (\$m)	0.0	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0

(b) A positive number for the fiscal balance indicates an increase in revenue or a decrease in expenses or net capital investment in accrual terms. A positive number for the underlying cash balance indicates an increase in revenue or a decrease in expenses or net capital investment in cash terms.

**Where relevant, state that the proposal has been costed as a defined or specified amount.**

The proposal has been costed as a specified amount.

**Where relevant, include separate identification of revenue and expense components.**

Not applicable.

**Where appropriate, include a range for the costing or sensitivity analysis.**

Not applicable.

**Qualifications to the costing (including reasons for the costing not being comprehensive).**

Not applicable.

**Where relevant, explain effects of departmental expenses.**

Consistent with the costing request, the costing assumes that the Department of Health would absorb any associated departmental operating or capital expenses.

**Where relevant, explain the reason for any significant differences between the assumptions specified in a party costing request and those used in a Treasury or Finance costing.**

Not applicable.

**Other comments (including reasons for significant differences between the estimated impact on the fiscal and underlying cash balances).**

**Where relevant, include an explanation of the medium term implications of the proposal<sup>(c)</sup>.**

Not applicable.

<sup>(c)</sup> Information on the medium term implications will be provided if the cost of the policy is expected to be significantly different beyond the forward estimates period.

## **Background information**

### **Costing methodology used:**

The proposal has been costed as a defined, capped Commonwealth contribution of \$2.0 million per annum from 2019-20, to support the provision of subsidised garments for people with lymphoedema, twice annually.

### **Policy parameters**

The Commonwealth contribution would be provided to states and territories which administer the provision of subsidised garments to people with lymphoedema.

### **Behavioural assumptions used (as appropriate)**

Not applicable.