

PROJECT HISTORY

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Staff presented two Issues Papers on aspects of the non-exchange expenses project. These papers addressed the accounting for collective and individual services, the accounting for disaster relief and the application of the public sector performance obligation approach (PSPOA) to some non-exchange transactions.

Collective and Individual Services

Staff had proposed that the term “individual services” be used in preference to the term “universally accessible services” and the IPSASB accepted this recommendation.

Guidance on collective and individual services will be provided as Application Guidance to IPSAS 19, *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets* and the IPSASB agreed that definitions of collective services and individual services should be included in the core text of IPSAS 19. The IPSASB also decided that the guidance should discuss collective services and individual services separately; the IPSASB agreed that the accounting may be the same but considered the rationale to be different.

Disaster Relief

The IPSASB had previously agreed to provide guidance on accounting for disaster relief as Application Guidance to IPSAS 19. The IPSASB agreed to extend this to emergency relief. The IPSASB also agreed that the principles in IPSAS 19 could be applied when accounting for emergency relief, and that this should be reflected in the guidance.

Public Sector Performance Obligation Approach

The IPSASB considered the conceptual basis for applying the Public Sector Performance Obligation Approach (PSPOA) to some non-exchange transactions that arose out of a binding arrangement or contract. The IPSASB agreed that the PSPOA could be applied to some non-exchange expenses, and that where the PSPOA is applied, this may involve the recognition of an asset for the right to have goods and services transferred to a third party.

Staff were instructed to give further consideration to when a liability should be recognized, develop guidance on enforceability and develop examples to illustrate the operation of the PSPOA.