

# Financial Performance

## Contractual Arrangements

As required by DPC Circular 27, *Disclosure of Government Contracts* departments must disclose procurement contracts on the South Australian Tenders and Contracts website at [www.tenders.sa.gov.au](http://www.tenders.sa.gov.au).

## Consultants

During 2014-15, there were four consultancies undertaken with total expenditure of \$27 707.

Consultant	Purpose of Consultancy	Number	Total (GST exclusive)
<b>Value below \$10 000</b>			
Various	Various	3	\$15 540
<b>Value \$10 000 and above</b>			
Adelaide Research and Innovation	A project to assist the Exceptional Needs Executive Committee to develop strategies to meet the needs of vulnerable young people exiting statutory services.	1	\$12 167
<b>Total</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>\$27 707</b>

## Fraud

The *Fraud and Corruption Control Policy* identifies that the department has a zero tolerance to fraud and similar inappropriate behaviour. In addition, the policy highlights that disclosures made in good faith and in accordance with the South Australian *Whistleblowers Protection Act 1993* will be protected under the Act.

During 2014-15, 48 incidents were referred to Internal Audit for investigation, with 45 relating to missing funds and three to maladministration. The majority of the incidents relate to amounts of \$100 or less. Given the fraud detection and prevention policies, procedures and controls in place, and that there was no evidence of material loss, it is unlikely that any undetected fraud would result in a material misstatement of the Financial Statements.

Ongoing strategies to manage fraud include:

- fraud and corruption control policies, procedures and codes on ethical standards, conduct policies and procedures on information technology security;
- training on compliance and development of control self-assessment materials;
- tendering procedures consistent with probity and transparency;
- routine inspection and verification of work performed by contractors;
- segregation of duties and applying limits of authority for approval of expenditure and other allocations of resources;
- monthly financial management reporting; and
- reports on internal audit activities, risk management and other corporate governance matters to the DCSI Risk Management and Audit Committee.

## Overseas Travel

Information on overseas travel undertaken by staff, including the Chief Executive, is publicly available on the department's website as required by DPC Circular 35, *Proactive Disclosure of Regularly Requested Information*. Details on overseas travel by staff can be accessed at:

[www.dcsi.sa.gov.au/about-us/freedom-of-information-open-government-and-privacy/open-government](http://www.dcsi.sa.gov.au/about-us/freedom-of-information-open-government-and-privacy/open-government)