

#### **ACT CORRECTIVE SERVICES**

COMMUNITY INSTRUCTION	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander client food vouchers and bus tickets	
COMMUNITY INSTRUCTION NO.	C35.5	
SCOPE	Community Corrections	

#### **PURPOSE**

To provide Community Corrections staff with instructions for providing food vouchers and/or bus tickets to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients who require assistance, such as financial hardship and/or transport difficulties.

#### **PROCEDURES**

## 1 Suitability and operation

- 1.1 Bus tickets or food voucher provision to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients is to be considered among a range of case management strategies to address client risk, need and responsivity.
- 1.2 There is no assessment for financial hardship. Community Corrections Officers (CCO) will decide to issue tickets and/or vouchers, when they consider that the client may be assisted by their provision, or in the event a client specifically requests tickets and/or vouchers.
- 1.3 Tickets and/or vouchers will be allocated to the Community Corrections Administration Team by the Throughcare Team and replenished periodically as needed.
- 1.4 The CCO will check records (such as case notes or records kept by the Administration Team) to ascertain the history of previous tickets and/or voucher provision and assess the appropriate use of the resources. It is up to the CCO to determine if the client has been over-utilising tickets and/or food vouchers.
- 1.5 If it is established that a client has been misusing or over-utilising those resources, it will be discussed with the client as part of the case management process. Specific attention will be given to the financial management, impulsivity (attitude/orientation) and other risk presentations of the client.
- 1.6 The CCO will request tickets and/or vouchers from the Administration officers. Details of the client (name, personal identification (PID) number) will be recorded on a record proforma, as well as the serial number/s of the vouchers and/or tickets provided.
- 1.7 The CCO will issue the tickets and/or vouchers to the client. If serious financial hardship is being experienced, the CCO will issue tickets and/or vouchers along with the details of other food or assistance providers.
- 1.8 All tickets and/or vouchers issued by CCOs must be case noted as per the Case Note Policy.

### **RELATED DOCUMENTS AND FORMS**

Case Note Policy

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