Financial Reporting Update

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Covering . . .

- the transition to IPSAS
- Revenue from non-exchange transactions
- Grant expenditure
- New standards

The transition to IPSAS

- Generally: no/little change to the numbers
- Significant adjustments: entity-specific
- Tier 2 and Tier 3 requirements provided an opportunity to reduce the size of financial statements
- Preparation by entities/sectors: mixed
- most challenging aspects:
 - o Revenue from non-exchange transactions
 - o Accounting for grant expenditure

Revenue from non-exchange transactions

- Don't expect many changes to the exchange/non-exchange distinction arrived at last year
- Aspects of the arrangements will need to be regularly reviewed:
 - o Funding with conditions: does your assessment change with experience?
- New revenue streams?
 - Consider the treatment early

Grant expenditure

- Little guidance
- Previous accounting wasn't always appropriate under IPSAS
- Reviewing this year

New Standards: Public Benefit Entities

What's new this year;

- Organisations that provide key management personnel services are now 'related parties'
- Some changes for the not-for-profit sector
 - Unlikely to affect current accounting for public sector PBEs

On the horizon: exposure drafts on

- Service Performance Reporting
- o Interests in other entities (subsidiaries, associates & Joint Arrangements)
- Public sector combinations (merger accounting)

New Standards: For-profit entities

Leases [NZ IFRS 16]

- Essentially, all leases treated as finance leases
- Effective: periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019
- On the horizon for a PBE Standard?

Revenue [NZ IFRS 15]

- Application date deferred, now for financial years beginning on or after 1 January 2018.
 - o 31/12/2018; 31/3/2019; 30/6/2019

