

## PERSONNEL SECURITY VETTING

- The Australian Government Security Vetting Agency (AGSVA) is responsible for granting, revalidating and re-evaluating security clearances for Commonwealth government departments.
- The Treasury retains responsibility for ‘after care’ processes, including contact reporting (that is, where officials are approached by suspicious foreign nationals); advising AGSVA of any security concerns; change of circumstances; stakeholder relationships; records management and management of the relationship with AGSVA.
- The arrangement between the Treasury and AGSVA is in the form of a Service Level Charter, which details the responsibilities of parties, governance arrangements, and standards of service delivery and fees (summarised below):

Clearance level	Benchmark completion time	Initial clearance cost	Revalidation cost	Review time
Baseline	One month	\$333.67	\$133.58	15 years
Negative vetting 1	Four months	\$637.68	\$255.06	10 years
Negative vetting 2	Six months	\$1757.71	\$703.25	5 years
Positive vetting 3	Six months	\$6791.73	703.25	2.5 years

## KEY POINTS

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