

Australian Government

# **BSBPMG813 Govern the portfolio**

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#### **Modification History**

| Release   | Comments                                                                                |
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| Release 1 | This version first released with BSB Business Services<br>Training Package Version 7.0. |

#### Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to provide governance over a portfolio. It covers applying standards, governance models and the portfolio charter.

A portfolio is the centralised management of one or more portfolios of projects, which includes identifying, prioritising, authorising, managing and controlling projects, programs and other related work, to achieve specific strategic business objectives.

The unit applies to individuals who operate at the strategic level within the organisation. Unlike projects or programs, a portfolio does not have a finite life, instead it is a continuous process and requires regular tending to ensure the portfolio remains in balance and is consistent with the strategic objectives of the organisation.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

## **Unit Sector**

Business Competence - Project Management

| ELEMENT                                   | PERFORMANCE CRITERIA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| Elements describe the essential outcomes. | Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 1. Prepare to govern                      | <ul> <li>1.1 Develop disciplined governance arrangements for projects and programs within the portfolio</li> <li>1.2 Develop business strategy according to project portfolio</li> <li>1.3 Verify that all projects and programs within the portfolio have an approved plan prepared to organisational and legislative requirements</li> <li>1.4 Verify decision-making competence of members of delegated authorisation bodies</li> </ul> |

#### **Elements and Performance Criteria**

| ELEMENT                               | PERFORMANCE CRITERIA                                                                                                                                                                    |
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|                                       | 1.5 Define criteria for reporting project status and for the escalation of risks and issues to the levels required by the organisation                                                  |
| 2. Undertake governance<br>activities | 2.1 Prepare a portfolio charter, which clearly establishes portfolio governance and management roles, authorities, approval limits, responsibilities and the scope of portfolio control |
|                                       | 2.2 Apply disciplined governance arrangements, supported by appropriate methods and controls, to projects and programs within the portfolio                                             |
|                                       | 2.3 Implement business strategy                                                                                                                                                         |
|                                       | 2.4 Record and communicate decisions made at authorisation points                                                                                                                       |
|                                       | 2.5 Support executive management to ensure appropriate independent assurance of projects/programs occurs                                                                                |
| 3. Monitor governance<br>processes    | <ul> <li>3.1 Communicate required portfolio updates with portfolio stakeholders according to task and organisational requirements</li> <li>2.2 Paviant the portfolio charter</li> </ul> |
|                                       | 3.2 Review the portfolio charter                                                                                                                                                        |
|                                       | 3.3 Evaluate project performance against criteria for reporting project status                                                                                                          |
|                                       | 3.4 Identify areas for improvement                                                                                                                                                      |

# Foundation Skills

This section describes language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills incorporated in the performance criteria that are required for competent performance.

| SKILL                   | DESCRIPTION                                                                                               |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Reading                 | Applies appropriate strategies to construct meaning from complex texts                                    |
| Writing                 | • Develops governance documentation using organisational formats and vocabulary suitable for the audience |
|                         | • Records results of decisions using format and vocabulary suitable for the audience                      |
| Self-management         | Identifies and adheres to organisational, legal and regulatory requirements                               |
| Teamwork                | • Selects and uses appropriate communication methods and practices to provide recommendations             |
| Planning and organising | • Develops flexible plans to manage complex, high impact activities with strategic implications           |
|                         | Regularly reviews outcomes against requirements to determine the need for change                          |

## **Unit Mapping Information**

Supersedes and is equivalent to BSBPMG804 Govern the portfolio.

#### Links

Companion Volume Implementation Guide is found on VETNet https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=11ef6853-ceed-4ba7-9d87-4da407e23c10