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Proposal Title: **FUND FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDER (FASD) CLINIC AT WESTMEAD**

Cluster: Health

General Government Sector Impacts

	2014-15 \$'000	2015-16 \$'000	2016-17 \$'000	2017-18 \$'000	4 Year Total \$'000
Expenses (ex. depreciation)		300	308	315	923
Depreciation					-
Less: Offsets					-
Revenue					-
Net Operating Result:	-	(300)	(308)	(315)	(923)

Capital Expenditure					-
Capital Offsets					-
Capital Expenditure:	-	-	-	-	-

Net Lending/(Borrowing)	-	(300)	(308)	(315)	(923)
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Net Financial Liabilities:	-	300	608	923
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Total State Sector Impacts

Net Financial Liabilities:	-	300	608	923
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Notes and costing assumptions

The policy proposes funding of \$1.2 million over four years from 1 July 2015 to the FASD clinic at The Children's Hospital at Westmead, in order to maintain the existing activities of the clinic.

Based on the clinic's work to date, a nominal amount of \$300,000 per annum is sufficient to cover the cost of the clinic. The cost of maintaining the clinic's activity is dependent on the number of patients referred to the clinic and the assessments and ongoing treatment provided as well as the extent of capacity building for other health professionals to manage this disorder. Additional revenue for the clinic is obtained through Medicare billings made by paediatricians for clinical consultations. The Children's Hospital at Westmead also supports the clinic through the allocation of additional multidisciplinary staff required for the service such as speech therapists and occupational therapists.

The net impact of the policy is estimated to be \$923,000 over the four years to 2017-18. An additional impact of \$323,000 is estimated for the 2018-19 financial year.