National Anti-Corruption Commission

Overview of the NACC

The National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) is an independent Commonwealth agency.

We detect, investigate and report on serious or systemic corruption in the Commonwealth public sector.

We also educate the public service, and the public, about corruption risks and prevention.

The NACC mission is to enhance integrity in the Commonwealth public sector by deterring, detecting and preventing corrupt conduct involving Commonwealth public officials through education, monitoring, investigation, reporting and referral.

We operate under the *National Anti-Corruption Act 2022* (Cth), which defines our jurisdiction and what corrupt conduct is.

Our independence from government means the government is not able to tell the NACC what to investigate, or how to do its job.

The NACC investigates allegations of serious or systemic corrupt conduct within the Commonwealth public sector. This includes conduct that occurred before or after it was established.

Oversight of the NACC

The NACC is overseen by the Parliamentary Joint Committee on the National Anti-Corruption Commission (PJC-NACC) and an Inspector of the National Anti-Corruption Commission (the Inspector).

PJC-NACC

The PJC-NACC's functions include:

- considering proposed recommendations for certain appointments
- examining reports tabled in Parliament relating to the Commission and Inspector
- examining trends and changes in corruption and reporting to Parliament on desirable changes to the functions, powers, procedures, structure and staffing of the Commission or Inspector
- reviewing the sufficiency of the Commission's budget and finances and reporting on the outcome of that review.

The PJC-NACC cannot review operational decisions, methods or activities.

The Inspector

The Inspector of the National Anti-Corruption Commission is an independent officer of the Parliament.

The Inspector has the functions to:

- investigate allegations of serious or systemic corrupt conduct within the NACC
- investigate complaints about the NACC
- audit the operations of the Commission to monitor the Commission's compliance with Commonwealth laws and detect agency maladministration and officer misconduct.

The Inspector is able to conduct joint investigations with the Commissioner, and with the AFP or a police service of a state or territory.

Contact us

Please use our webform to make a report of corrupt conduct.

If in doubt about whether to refer a matter to the Commission, contact us.

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