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This month: Balancing family payments and students travelling overseas.

G'day, I'm Hank Jongen, here to tell you what's happening with the department in June.

The new financial year is almost here and we're getting ready to balance family assistance payments.

From July, we'll compare your actual income to the income estimate you've given us for the 2018 to 19 financial year. This is so we can make sure you get the right amount of Family Tax Benefit and Child Care Subsidy.

We'll also work out if you're entitled to any supplements.

So we can balance your payments, in most cases you and your partner will need to lodge a tax return, or, let us know you don't need to lodge one.

Just a reminder we'll start balancing Child Care Subsidy later. This is because child care providers have 28 days to provide us with session information.

To learn more, visit our website.

Some students might be escaping the chilly winter and heading overseas during their study break.

If you're getting a student payment, make sure you tell us about your travel plans before you go overseas. The easiest way to do this is using your Centrelink online account.

In most cases, your payment will stop once you leave Australia.

If your trip is less than 6 weeks, your payment will automatically resume once you return to Australia.

There's no need to call to let us know you're back.

Thanks for watching, and don't forget to like or follow us on social media and subscribe to our YouTube channel to keep up to date. I'll see you next month!