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Life After Licensing

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What we'll cover today

Snapshot of the sector

Approach to Oversight

What to expect from a monitoring visit

FAP Regulatory Returns



Snapshot of Sector 17 March

• 2,500 Financial Advice Providers

→ 1360 Directly licensed as Full Financial Advice Providers (FAPs)
→ 1140 Authorised Bodies

- **8,838** Financial Advisers (who are on the FSPR)
- **11,957** Nominated Representations
- ~80% of entities have 20 or less Financial Advisers
- Auckland and Canterbury Regions have largest number of providers

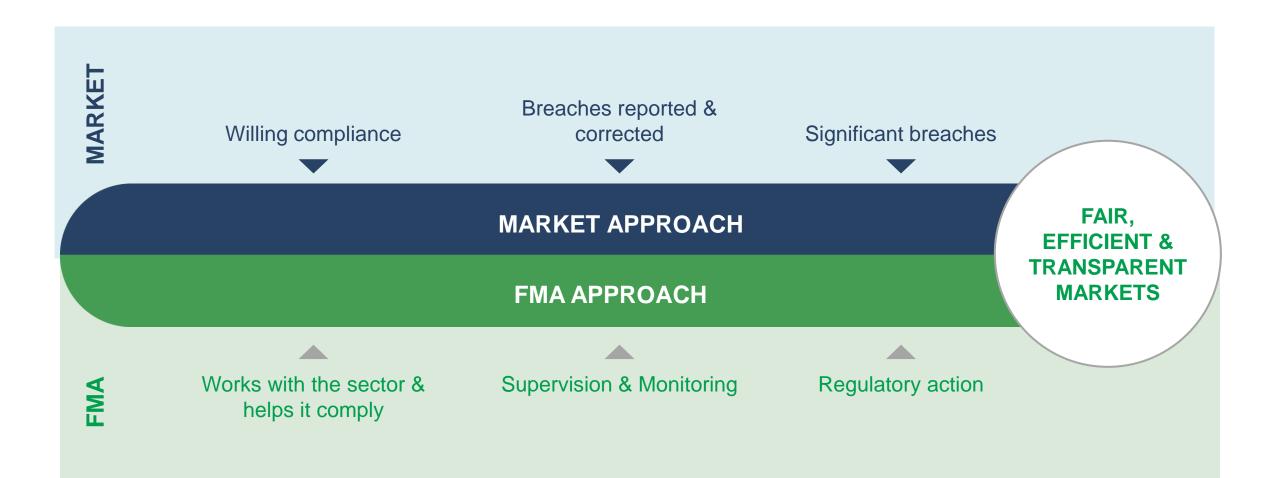
The FMA – Regulatory Delivery Function

We oversee licensed market participants in line with the FMA's overarching statutory objective to promote and facilitate the development of fair, efficient and transparent markets. Our activity – where we monitor adherence to regulatory and legislative requirements by financial market participants – is integral to this outcome.

The Financial Advice team

- Our focus is on financial advice
- We monitor the financial advice sector to ensure it complies with the law and treats customers fairly
- Helping with transitioning into the new regime
- Guidance, market engagement, enquiries
- Getting our financial advice population fully licensed and ready to operate successfully post March 2023

Our approach to oversight



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Supportive, recognizing the extent of changes Guidance-based, to improve understanding and clarify expectations

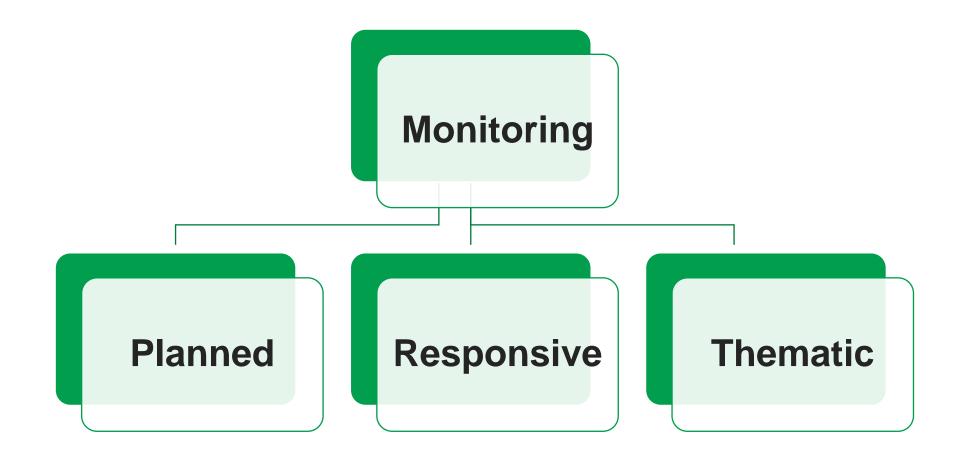


Intelligence-led, to identify areas requiring focus Adjusted over time to match the phases and expected pace of sector maturity

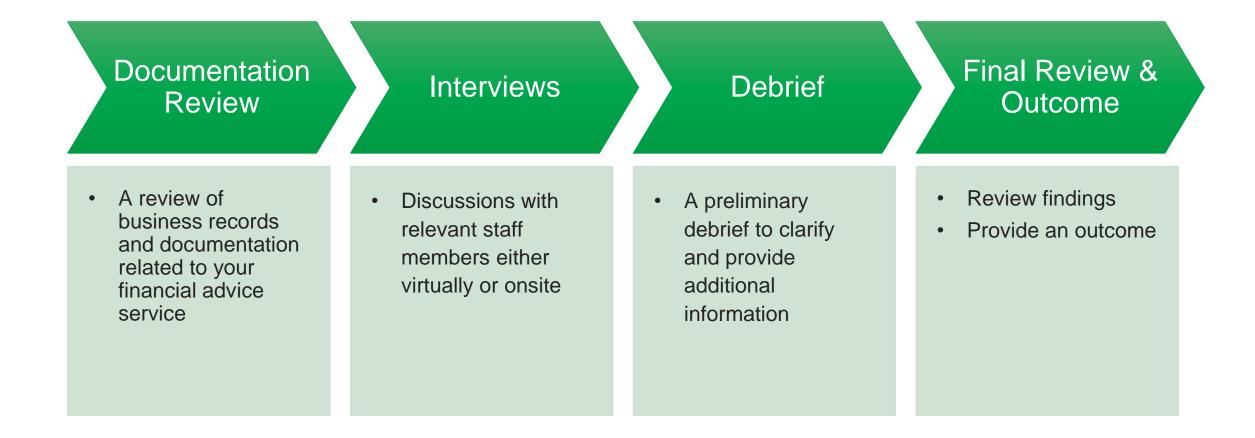


Deterrence of misconduct (wilful noncompliers)

An increased focus on monitoring



What to expect from a monitoring visit



Observations from reactive monitoring

Governance and Oversight

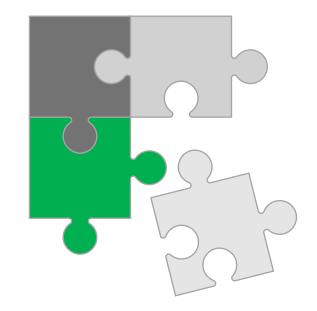
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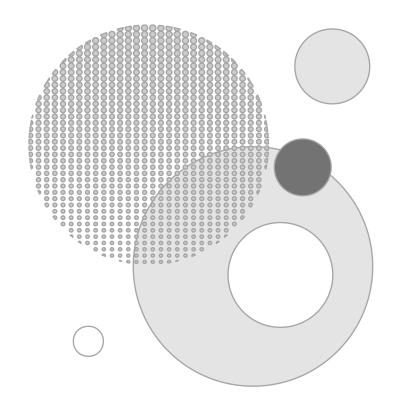
Regulatory Returns – What are they?

- Regulatory Returns are a FAP Licence Standard Condition [Std Condition 3]
- Requests Licensed FAPs to file certain information to the FMA on a periodic basis
- Information is used to gain an understanding of the sector
- Information helps support FMA's ongoing monitoring of the advice sector, through identification of priorities and focus areas.



Regulatory Returns – Final Questions

- **Part 1 Business and Infrastructure**
- **Part 2 Licensed Activities**
- **Part 3 Complaints**
- Part 4 Outsourcing
- Part 5 Business continuity and technology systems

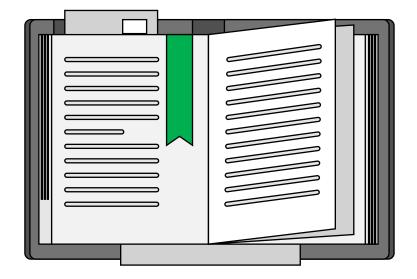


Regulatory Returns – Important Dates

Reg Returns were published on 15 February 2023

Regulatory returns will need to be filled annually, for the period of 1 July to 30 June

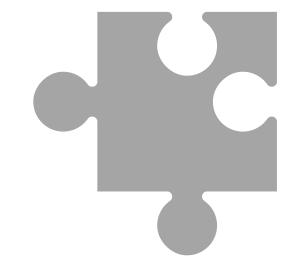
The first return is due 30 September 2024, for the year 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024



FMA expectations for FAP regulatory returns



Moving from tick-box compliance to **principles based** legislation



We focus on building **strong relationships** with the financial advice sector



Quality financial advice is becoming even more essential



Questions?