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# Client Agent Linking not working for you? Update your ABN details on ABR now!



The Client Agent Linking (CAL) process is without a doubt, fairly cumbersome! There are <u>several steps involved</u> in nominating a new tax or BAS agent. The second step requires you to <u>link your MyGovID to your ABN</u>. While that process should not be difficult, it is tripping up some because their ABN details have not been updated for quite some time. The linking between a MyGovID and an ABN is done via the <u>Relationship Authorisation</u> <u>Manager (RAM)</u>. This part of the process will not work if the ABN details differ from those currently recorded in the <u>Australian Business Register (ABR)</u>. So, to avoid this barrier when trying to link to your new agent, make sure your ABN details are up to date. This is done in the following way:

- 1. Log into the ABR (link above) and go to the "update your ABN details" page.
- Log into RAM (link above) using your MyGovID credential. Select "Update ABN Record".
- 3. Make any changes required in RAM. Note, that the only change you cannot make in RAM relates to business and legal names. This needs to be done through the ATO and ASIC.

If you cannot log into RAM and the ABR, you can do the following:

- 1. Contact the ABR directly, here.
- 2. Complete a mail-in form and send it to the ABR.
- 3. Ask your tax professional to update the details for you.

If your entity is a **Not-for-Profit organisation** that needs to update your details before you can access ABR online services, <u>follow these steps</u> for assistance.

If you're like most business owners, you set up your ABN years ago with a "set and forget" attitude. While many have gotten away with this (myself included!), not having up-to-date details for your ABN will be a major roadblock in the CAL process. It is worth mentioning that regardless of CAL, business owners should be updating ABN details within 28 days of any changes - <u>see here!</u> So, put this on your to-do list today - log into the ABR and check that your ABN details are current. Doing this will ensure that your CAL process goes smoothly.

### In Other Bookkeeping\_BAS News...

**Five Checklists to Support your Business:** Find out about the list of things to be done in your business or reminders you need to know about <u>here</u>.

<u>Can I Claim the GST on That</u> page updated: Some new items have been added to this list including whether GST applies when you pay for goods using digital currency and GST on compression socks.

**Changes to unpaid parental leave entitlements**: Read about how leave entitlements have changed recently <u>here.</u>

**Next BAS due date:** The next quarterly BAS for **January to March 2024**, is due by **28th April 2024** if electing to receive and lodge by paper and not an active STP reporter. If, however, you have elected to receive and lodge electronically, this BAS is due by **26th May 2024**.

**Next Super due date:** The Q3 2023-24 super guarantee contributions are due by **28th April 2024**. I advise that you lodge and pay at least a week before this date to ensure payments are received by super funds by this date. Paying on the 28th of April is too late and you will need to lodge a super guarantee charge statement as a result.

**Never miss important dates for your business**: Keep track of the dates you need to run your business <u>here</u>.

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#### Client Agent Linking in Online Services

Client Agent Linking is an ATO initiative intended to improve security over client identity and limit OSFA (Online Services for Agents) fraud by agents, their employees, and other authorised persons.

### Which Of The 3 Fair Work Information Statements Do You Need To Give To Your Employees? One Or All Three?

Once upon a time, there was only one Fair Work Information Statement (FWIS). But now there are three of them! As an employer, you need to know which one to give to your employees.

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