# Financial Services Guide (FSG)

A guide to the services we provide and how we will work with you to achieve your goals.



## **MIPA Financial Network Pty Ltd**

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#### **Business and Investment**

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**KNOWLEDGE** – from education and experience

**UNDERSTANDING** – from principles and reason

& WISDOM – to apply knowledge and understanding

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Important



About Us

contains the following important information to help you decide whether to use our services:

• Who we are;

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- Initial and ongoing advice and services we provide;
- How we are paid;
- Who to contact if you have a complaint.

MIPA Financial Network Pty Ltd, (ABN 12 096 045 591) corporate authorised representative (CAR), number 250278, is authorised to provide financial services on behalf of Charter Financial Planning Limited (Charter Financial Planning).

Before we provide you with financial advice, you should read this Financial Services Guide (FSG). It

MIPA Financial Network Pty Ltd trades as MAP Financial Strategies and MyGen Financial Strategies. The group incorporates Business & Investment Consultants Australia Pty Ltd trading as Business and Investment Consultants Australia.

Our group is a leading financial services provider with offices in Balaklava and Adelaide. We have a dedicated team of advisers, paraplanners and support staff to help deliver quality financial planning services to you.

We will provide you with strategies that allow you to take control of your financial future.

We build relationships with you and your family to ensure and secure each generation's financial well being.

We aim to provide personalised and responsible advice suited to your objectives and believe that sound advice and planning is the key to improving your financial position.

We undertake continuous professional development and training programs so we are up to date with legislative changes to superannuation, investment, social security and tax environments.

We have access to technical, risk and investment research professionals who provide us with additional analysis on strategies and products that become available as a result of these changes.

Our financial advisers will help you determine your goals and weigh up different investment strategies to achieve them.

Most importantly, we turn your thoughts into action. There are no secret formulas to achieving financial security. We work with you to get the basics right and ensure you have a plan to achieve your goals over time.



MAP Financial Strategies, Business and Investment Consultants Australia and MyGen Financial Strategies are in a select number of businesses that have been awarded Certified Quality Advice Practice status by Charter Financial Planning. This programme sets an industry benchmark for providing high-quality financial advice. The certification is awarded based on industry qualifications, demonstrated best practise business operations and proven success in meeting the financial planning needs of clients.

Everyone is different, with different circumstances, needs and goals. We treat every client as an individual, but follow a defined financial planning process, to make sure you know what to expect from us.



#### Identifying where you want to be

We help you identify your financial and lifestyle goals and explain the services we offer to help you achieve them. The type of advice you need could depend on your life stage, the amount of money you want to invest and the complexity of your affairs.

We will help you to identify the range of issues that need to be addressed to meet your goals. You can then decide whether you want our advice to meet a single need or a broad range of issues.

Why you should choose a member of the MIPA Financial Network Pty Ltd group

**Our financial planning** 

process

#### Considering opportunities and risks

Good personal advice starts with having an understanding of your current situation. We take a close look at your current financial situation – assets, debts, income, expenses and insurance, and explore the options you could use to reach your goals.

#### Bridging the gap

Based on the research we have conducted, we will recommend a strategy to bridge the gap between where you are now and where you want to be.

#### Bringing your plan to life

We work closely with you to implement your financial plan. We help you to complete any necessary paperwork and are available to attend meetings with your accountant, solicitor and general insurer so that your strategy is implemented efficiently.

#### Staying on track with regular ongoing advice

Time goes on and circumstances and needs change. The final step in our advice process ensures your financial plan remains on track, by providing you with regular ongoing advice.

We design an ongoing service programme to ensure your plan remains up to date as your life changes and so you can obtain the benefits of ongoing reliable advice.

Sometimes, life takes us in unplanned directions. When you need a little extra help on top of our initial or ongoing advice, just ask us to provide you with some additional advice. We are there to help you – whatever the occasion.

#### **Adviser Profile**

**About Peter Knowling** 

Your financial adviser, Peter Knowling CFP Dip FP (ASIC number 344357), is an authorised representative of Charter Financial Planning.

#### **Education and Qualifications**

Certified NLP Business Communications Practitioner, CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™



#### Experience

Peter has been involved in delivering financial planning services since 1992.

#### Advice we can provide

Peter can provide you with strategic advice as well as arrange the types of financial products listed below. He can help you to identify the types of services and products that will be appropriate to meet your financial goals. In addition, you can choose whether to receive advice about a range of needs all at once, or we can provide advice about only those needs that are most important to you so that your most important goals are achieved first. Further advice can then be provided over time about any other needs or goals as required.

#### Strategies

- Guidance on budgeting and goal setting
- Savings and wealth creation strategies
- Investment planning
- Superannuation planning
- Pre-retirement planning
- Retirement planning
- Estate planning considerations
- Centrelink planning
- Risk and insurance analysis
- Business succession planning
- Salary packaging advice

#### Products

- Cash management trusts
- Retirement income streams
- Direct fixed interest
- Retail & wholesale managed investment schemes
- Socially responsible investments
- Hedge funds
- Master trust products
- Superannuation products
- Personal and group insurance
- Business succession insurance

	Gearing strategies	Margin lending facilities		
		Direct shares		
		Agribusiness		
	In addition to the above strategies and products MAP Financial Strategies, Business and Investment Consultants Australia or MyGen Financial Strategies can provide you with advice in the following areas:			
	Strategies	Products		
	As above	Self managed super funds		
	Charter Financial Planning maintains a broad approved list, containing investment and insurance products that have been researched by a number of external research houses as well as our in-house research team. A copy of the approved list of products and services can be given to you if requested.			
	The approved list includes products issued by AMP companies. A diversified selection of approved fur managers is accessible through investment products on the list.			
	Charter periodically reviews the products on the approved list to ensure that they remain competitiv similar products which address similar client needs and objectives.			
	approved list provided they are appro approval, recommend other products	and portfolio administration services (PAS) which are on the priate to your needs. However, we may, subject to Charter's and PASs where it is appropriate for you. Recommending products to receive additional benefits as disclosed in the other benefits		
Transaction services	If you do not require advice from us, but you would like us to help you complete a particular transaction, we can also arrange for you to apply for the kinds of products referred to in your adviser's profile. In these cases, we can take your instructions and arrange for the transaction to be completed without providing you with personal advice.			
	It is important to understand that in these circumstances we will generally ask you to confirm your instructions in writing and to sign a letter that acknowledges you have declined our offer of advice as well as understand the risks of a transaction service. You will be provided with a copy of the letter for your own records.			
Documents you may receive	You can also contact us directly with accept instructions from our existing	any instructions relating to your existing financial products. We will clients via telephone, mail or email.		
	Our initial advice will be provided to you in a financial plan, known as a Statement of Advice (SOA). The financial plan contains a summary of your goals and the strategies and financial products we will recommend to achieve your goals. It also provides you with detailed information about the fees, costs and other benefits we will receive as a result of the advice we have provided.			
	We will keep a record of any further a contacting our office.	dvice we provide you for seven years. You may request a copy by		
	If we recommend or arrange a financial product for you, we will make available a Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) or investor directed portfolio service (IDPS) guide where relevant. These documents contain the key features of the recommended product, such as its benefits, and risks as well as the costs you will pay the product provider to professionally manage your investment or insurance.			
	You should read any warnings contai making any decision relating to a fina	ned in your financial plan, the PDS or IDPS guide carefully before ncial strategy or product.		
Advice fees	<ul><li>The fees charged for our advice servi</li><li>A set dollar amount; or</li></ul>	ces may be based on a combination of:		
	• A percentage of the funds that ye	pu invest.		
	Our advice fees may include charges	for the following services:		
	Initial Advice			
	Our initial advice fee covers the cost set dollar amount.	of researching and preparing your financial plan and is based on a		
	Before providing you with initial advic	e we will prepare an Initial Advice Agreement. The Initial Advice		

Before providing you with initial advice we will prepare an Initial Advice Agreement. The Initial Advice Agreement sets out what our initial advice will cover and how much it will cost you.

In addition, the initial advice fee will be disclosed in your Statement of Advice (SOA).

Our initial advice fees range between \$330 and \$4,500 for a single strategy and \$3,300 and \$12,500 for multiple strategies.

If, in developing your financial plan, we identify that you have a complex situation that requires extensive planning and development, our initial advice fee will change. In this case, we will provide you with an upfront quote of the amount payable before we proceed with developing your financial plan.

#### Advice Implementation

The advice implementation fee covers the administrative time spent implementing the recommended strategies and products and is based on a set dollar amount.

Our implementation fees range between \$330 and \$2,400 for a single strategy and \$1,200 and \$6,600 for multiple strategies and will be disclosed in your Initial Advice Agreement and/or your SOA.

#### **Ongoing Advice**

Our ongoing advice fees cover the cost to review the strategies and products recommended in your SOA. An ongoing review helps you take advantage of opportunities as they become available. Ongoing advice fees may be up to \$2,000 for single advice strategies and up to \$25,000 for multiple and complex advice strategies per annum and are based on up to 1.5% of your investment balance per annum. An Administration component covers costs associated with work that may not be advice related and a Retainer fee covers maintenance of our systems and facilities needed to provide service when required. Together, the Administration component and the Retainer fee are valued at \$660 per annum.

Ongoing advice fees may increase each year in line with the Consumer Price Index (CPI) or by a fixed amount or fixed percentage each year. We will advise you if this fee will increase as a result of CPI.

If, during our assessment of your ongoing needs, we identify that you require ongoing advice outside of our standard advice offer, our ongoing advice fee will change. In this case, we will provide you with a quote of what you will be required to pay to receive these services.

Before providing you with ongoing advice your adviser will prepare an Ongoing Advice Agreement. This agreement sets out our ongoing advice offer, which includes the advice and services we will provide, as well as the frequency these will be delivered, how much it will cost, your payment method and how the service can be terminated.

In addition, the ongoing advice fee will be disclosed in your SOA.

#### Additional advice

For all other advice, an additional advice fee may be charged based on a set dollar amount. Any additional advice fee will be disclosed in your SOA.

#### Commission

Please note that for services in relation to insurance, margin lending, agribusiness and business/corporate superannuation, commissions may be paid as follows:

Initial commission – for all investment products; the commission is deducted from your investment contributions and for insurance products the commission is paid by the insurance product providers, and

Ongoing commission – a percentage of the value of your investment balance, outstanding loan amount or premiums, usually calculated at the end of each month in which you hold the investment or loan, or on renewal of insurance products.

Your advice fees will be calculated at the time we provide you with personal advice. Your SOA will outline the advice fees and any commission inclusive of GST.

#### Payment Method & Frequency

We offer you the following payment terms:

- Bpay, direct debit (credit card or savings), cheque
- Deduction from your investment
- Ongoing advice fees may be deducted as an annual instalment or in monthly or quarterly instalments.
- Ongoing advice fees may increase each year in line with the Consumer price Index (CPI) or by a fixed amount or percentage each year. The specific amount will be agreed to by you and outlined in our ongoing advice agreement.

How the advice fees are distributed and how I am paid

Charter Financial Planning will typically retain 3% (may be scaled down to 0%) of the gross revenue received for the recommended financial services and/or products. Charter Financial Planning will pay MIPA Financial Network Pty Ltd the remaining 97% of the gross revenue received. Peter Knowling is paid a salary from MIPA Financial Network Pty Ltd and does not earn any fees,

commissions or brokerage, but may receive bonuses and other benefits when certain criteria such as achieving sales targets are met.

**Other benefits MIPA** 

We may be offered or receive non-commission benefits such as entertainment or sponsorship from

## Financial Network Pty Ltd may receive

some product providers at no extra cost to you. Both Charter Financial Planning and MIPA Financial Network Pty Ltd maintain a register to document benefits received with a value of greater than \$300. A copy of this register will be made available within one month of a request.

 Value Participation Scheme: AMP may provide us with a cash payment based on the total value of in force annual premiums on insurance products and funds under management in AMP products.

AMP will pay us up to 0.25% of total funds under management in AMP wealth management products and up to 3% of total premiums on some AMP insurance products. For example:

If our clients have invested \$11 million of funds into Summit we will receive \$500.

If our clients pay a combined annual premium of \$150,000 for insurance with AMP, we may receive \$350.

- **Technology and Education:** Charter Financial Planning provides us with 'points' when our business revenue exceeds \$50,000. One point is received per \$1.23 (inc GST) over \$50,000. Points are only redeemed for office equipment and staff training to ensure you receive up to date information and advice.
- **Buy out option:** We are eligible to sell our client base to Charter Financial Planning. The value of the sale is based on a multiple of the ongoing revenue generated from financial products.
- Business loans: We are eligible to receive finance for approved business costs at subsidised rates through AMP Bank.

We may participate in short term incentive programmes such as a product provider paying additional commissions during a specified period.

Due to the temporary nature of these arrangements they have not been included in this document. Details of any short term incentives will be outlined in your financial plan.

#### Payments from other professionals

- You may be referred to an external specialist to receive further advice. We may receive a referral fee or commission for introducing you to the specialist. This will be disclosed in your financial plan if applicable.
- You may be referred to AMP Bank for home loan and business lending services. We receive up to 0.65% initial commission and up to 0.25% ongoing commission. For example, for a loan of \$100,000, we would receive up to \$650 initial commission and up to \$250 ongoing commission.

#### Payments to other professionals

 We may pay a referral fee when clients are referred to us from other professionals. This will be disclosed in your financial plan if applicable.

About Charter Financial Planning



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Charter Financial Planning is a member of the AMP Group.

Charter Financial Planning has approved the distribution of this FSG.

Charter Financial Planning is a Professional Partner of the Financial Planning Association (FPA) and is fully committed to the FPA's Code of Ethics and Rules of Professional Conduct. Charter Financial Planning is also a Corporate Member of the Association of Financial Advisers (AFA).

**Relationships and** 

Peter Knowling can provide advice on products from a wide range of financial product providers, some of

#### associations

which are part of the AMP Group and as such are affiliated with Charter Financial Planning, including:

Product Issuer	Product brands used by issuer
The National Mutual Life Association of Australasia Ltd	AMP
National Mutual Funds Management Limited	AMP
NMMT Ltd	Summit
	Generations
	AXcess
N.M. Superannuation Pty Limited	Summit
	Generations
	North
Multiport Pty Ltd	Multiport
ipac asset management limited	iAccess
AMP Bank Limited	AMP
AMP Capital Investors Limited	AMP
AMP Superannuation Limited	• AMP
AMP Life Limited	AMP
The Cavendish Group	Cavendish
AMP Capital Funds Management Ltd.	• AMP
Australian Securities Administration Limited     (ASAL) and	Ascend Self Managed Super
<ul> <li>Super IQ Pty Ltd (49% interest held by AMP Group)</li> </ul>	Ascend Self Managed Super

If we recommend a product issued by the AMP Group, they will benefit from our recommendation by receiving product, administration and investment fees, as well as fees paid by fund managers to distribute their product. These fees are all disclosed in the relevant PDS.

Authorised representatives and staff at MIPA Financial Network Pty Ltd hold shares in AMP Limited, the ultimate holding company of the AMP Group which is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange, whose share price may be favourably affected by the sale of products issued by the AMP Group.

Your privacy is important to us. To learn more about our collection and handling of your personal information and for details on how to access our Privacy Policy please refer to the Appendix to this FSG.

Another financial adviser may be appointed to you if your adviser leaves Charter Financial Planning or is unable to attend to your needs due to an extended absence from the business. In these circumstances, Charter Financial Planning will write to you advising you of the change. Your personal information will be passed on to the new adviser.

If you choose to appoint a new financial adviser, your new adviser will be provided access to your policy information. They will be responsible for providing you with ongoing advice relating to those policies and all future advice fees deducted from the policy/(ies) will be paid to your new adviser.

Professional indemnity insurance

Professional indemnity insurance is maintained by Charter Financial Planning and Peter Knowling to cover advice, actions and recommendations which have been authorised by Charter Financial Planning and provided by Peter Knowling. The insurance satisfies the requirements imposed by the Corporations Act 2001 and financial services regulations.

# What should you do if you have a complaint?



Privacy

• If your complaint is not satisfactorily resolved within three days, please contact Charter Financial Planning on 137 292 or put your complaint in writing and send it to:

If you have any complaints about the services provided to you, you should take the following steps:

Charter Financial Planning Attention: Complaints Case Manager Advice and Licensing Level 8, 750 Collins Street DOCKLANDS VIC 3008

Charter Financial Planning will try to resolve your complaint quickly and fairly.

Contact your financial adviser and tell them about your complaint.

If your complaint has not been resolved satisfactorily, you may escalate your complaint to one of the

following External Dispute Resolution Schemes listed in the following table.

Type of complaint	External complaints service
Financial advice, investments, superannuation or insurance matters	Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS) on 1800 780 808
Personal information held	The Privacy Commissioner on 1300 363 992

The Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) may be contacted on 1300 300 630 to find out which body may be best to assist you in settling your complaint.

#### **Appendix: Privacy**

#### **Collection Statement**

As part of the financial planning process, we need to collect information about you. Where possible we will obtain that information directly from you, but if authorised by you we may also obtain it from other sources such as your employer or accountant. If that information is incomplete or inaccurate, this could affect our ability to fully or properly analyse your needs, objectives and financial situation, so our recommendations may not be completely appropriate or suitable for you.

We are also required under the Anti-Money-Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act (AML/CTF) 2006 to implement client identification processes. We will need you to present identification documents such as passports and driver's licences in order to meet our obligations.

We keep personal information confidential, and only use it in accordance with our Privacy Policy. Some of the ways we may use this information are set out below:

- Your adviser and Charter may have access to this information when providing financial advice or services to you;
- Your adviser may, in the future, disclose information to other financial advisers, brokers and those who are authorised by Charter to review customers' needs and circumstances from time to time, including other companies within the AMP group;
- Your information may be disclosed to external service suppliers both here and overseas who supply administrative, financial or other services to assist your adviser and the AMP group in providing financial advice and services to you. A list of countries where these service providers are located can be accessed via the AMP Privacy Policy from March 2014.
- Your information may be used to provide ongoing information about opportunities that may be useful or relevant to your financial needs through direct marketing (subject to your ability to optout as set out in the AMP Privacy Policy);
- Your information may be disclosed as required or authorised by law and to anyone authorised by you.

Your adviser and Charter will continue to take reasonable steps to protect your information from misuse, loss, and unauthorised access, modification or improper disclosure. You can request access to the information your adviser or Charter holds about you at any time to correct or update it as set out in the AMP Privacy Policy. The AMP Privacy Policy also contains information about how to make a complaint about a breach of the Australian Privacy Principles. For a copy of AMP's Privacy Policy visit

www.amp.com.au/privacy or you can contact us.