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She is currently General Manager Regional Economics Policy Branch In the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development in Canberra, where she leads the design of long-term, big-picture reform of regional economic policy and overseeing the implementation of the Government's decentralisation agenda.

Ms Pearson has a diverse background as a senior executive in the Australian public service that crosses strategic policy, program delivery and corporate service delivery. Over the past ten years she has successfully delivered in a wide range of roles within these disciplines. Her career has focused on implementing major reform agendas and working in service related programs to drive outcomes. She has led multi-discipline teams across diverse and remote geographic locations and successfully administered large appropriations and capital budgets. She is a trusted advisor, legally trained and admitted to the ACT Supreme Court, with a wealth of experience working across government and internationally to shape outcomes for the Australian Government.

Ms Pearson was born and raised in Townsville, Far North Queensland Australia. Throughout her life she has resided in Cairns, Brisbane and Canberra. Ms Pearson began her career as a regional psychologist in the then Commonwealth Employment Service and has senior management experience in regional, metro, national and international environments in a number of government departments including the Family Court, Department of Immigration and Citizenship, Attorney-General's Department, Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, Geoscience Australia and Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.