Certified Case Study (CCS) 004 – CBA Connect







Certified Case Study

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- CBA Connect overview: one of Australia's leading mortgage broker programs
- · Case study description, including background information and key insights
- Several frameworks describing the intermediated distribution model and the coverage models for lenders
- Relevant media extracts, including some quotes from the press
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Agenda

Section	Component	Description
1	Overview	CBA Connect - What is it?Why CBA Connect is an ICG Certified Case Study
2	Context	CBA Connect business modelGlobal market (peers and substitutes)
3	Detailed Description	CBA Connect value proposition
3	Relevant Media	Media coverage and relevant quotesCase studies and detailed interviews
4	Marketing Collateral and Brochure ware	Marketing CampaignCollateralsVideosSocial Media
5	Appendix	Other ICG sources of insight

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Sample 1: CBA Connect is one of Australia's leading mortgage broker programs



HOW DOES IT WORK

Product Strength	Rank
Residential and commercial loan range	3
Policy flexibility	3
SMSF loans	2 1
Co-brand / White-labelling	2 2

- 1. No loan offset capability within SMSF loans
- 2. No external relationships (beyond AHL)

Distribution	Rank
National BDM coverage	4
Comprehensive aggregator coverage	4

LEGEND	Strong attribute of value proposition	4
	Weak attribute of value proposition	0

Broker Support	Rank
Tiered support services	4
Recognises loan value (i.e. margin) in tiering	0
Subsidised training (e.g. Kaizen)	4
Online switching	4 ³
Line to credit assessor	4 4

- 3. E.g. fixed to variable
- 4. For all broker tiering levels

Economics	Rank
Attractive commission rates	3 4
Payments for referrals	4 ⁵

- 4. 0.715% upfront / 0.22% ongoing (nil trail in year 1)
- 5. The only bank to pay brokers for cross-sold product sales to clients referred into branches

KEY INSIGHTS

- Largest broker-originated loan book in Australia
- The only bank to offer referral payments to brokers for clients they send to branches who take on other products
- Beginning to take advantage of its strength in IT (online switching of repayment amounts / fixed to variable etc.)
- Increasing policy flexibility (e.g. "day 1" loans to employees still within probation period with new employer)
- Regular PD days with dedicated broker training

Source: primary ICG research interviews

Sample 2: Lenders have adopted vastly differing levels of broker coverage and support to develop business

COVERAGE MODELS FOR LENDERS IN THE INTERMEDIARY MARKET

B2B B2B

Developer model

- Relationship manager for brokers
- Support for intermediaries: Products, marketing material, training etc.
- Size, volume determine intensity of service / visits / contacts
- Gearing on business due to multiplying effects
- No direct control of business

Combined model

- Flexible role definition based on business needs
- Pragmatic allocation of resources
- Flexibility for business development without losing contact to end customer
- Danger of unclear tasks, difficult leadership functions

Sales agent model

- Intermediary introduces customers to sales agent
- Responsibility for completion of sales with customers
- Minimum support for intermediary
- + Control of quality of business
- Intense resources required

Source: secondary research, ICG, brokers interviews

Sample 3: Quotes from the Press



QUOTES

"Our CONNECT Referral Program is an easy process for brokers to build on their income stream - brokers embrace CONNECT because of the referral fee and because it helps them meet their customers' total banking needs."

Kathy Cummings, CBA

""We can help brokers free up their time so that they can concentrate on things such as networking and building up their referral base through programs like Kaizen - a program supported by CBA designed to allow brokers to improve their office structure and processes."

Sam Boer, CBA

""We offer additional revenue on the referral of products through the CONNECT Referral Program. We also support those brokers who want to diversify into commercial lending products and encourage commercial referrals through our Commercial Connect referral program."

Kathy Cummings, CBA

"Brokers that want to ensure all their customers are 'clients for life' need to diversify their core offering away from residential mortgages. They can do this in-house, or outsource through something such as CBA's CONNECT referral program."

Kathy Cummings, CBA

Source: secondary research



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