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The scope of this review was to evaluate and report on the controls in place to manage the risk surrounding Social Security Scotland's quality arrangements. With three risks appearing on the Strategic Risk Register, Social Security Scotland are committed to improving controls supporting quality throughout the Organisation. Noted within their 2024/25 Business Plan is a goal to implement a Quality and Performance Framework. This Framework will demonstrate the organisations links with National Outcomes, the Scottish Government's Social Security Programme's Measurable Improvements Strategy and Evaluation Activity and the Charter Measurement Framework.