

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace  
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Budget Estimates 2012-2013**

**Outcome 1 – Early Childhood, Working Age and Indigenous Participation**

**DEEWR Question No.** EW0364\_13

**Senator Nash asked on 30 May 2012, Hansard page 64**

**Question**

***ACECQA Funding***

Senator NASH: What is the total cost of administration for ACECQA? Ms Taylor: I can take on notice getting that, but, as I said, it is not a body that the department or the Commonwealth control.

**Answer**

ACECQA is a statutory body, created under States & Territory legislation.

Schedule D of The National Partnership Agreement sets out the Financial Arrangements for ACECQA (paragraph 3);

In regard to the National Body (\$11.5 million per annum), the Commonwealth will fund its establishment and contribute \$5.75m per year to its ongoing operational costs (50 per cent) (in 2009-10 dollars). States and territories will fund the remaining 50 per cent of the cost of the National Body, with distribution based on the number of services in each State and Territory