

Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2011-2012**

Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth

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Question

Parental capability building workshops

Mr Baker: I have not actually got the number of parent workshops that were run in the same location, Senator. So I would be careful to draw that assumption. Mr Davies: We could take that on notice, Senator. I just cannot recall whether they do parallel or whether there is a slightly different pattern.

Answer

The Australian Autism Education and Training Consortium is the current provider of Positive Partnerships. The consortium delivers professional development and parent/carer workshops in a range of metropolitan and rural/regional areas.

From November 2008 to October 2011 parent workshops were held in all but one of the Professional Development workshop locations.

A summary of the total number of parent/carer workshops held in regional and remote areas is detailed below:

Total number of Parent/Carers workshops	160	Total number of workshop participants	5481
Regional locations	68 (42.5%)	Regional	1997 (36.4%)
Remote locations	12 (7.5 %)	Remote	187 (3.4%)

Parents/carers in these areas have also had the option of completing an online parent workshop through the project website at www.autismtraining.com.au .