

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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Topic: Aged Care Education and Training

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Question:

What is the transition or grandfathering for individuals who may have commenced a course on the understanding that support was available through the Aged Care Education and Training Incentive Program, or the Aged Care Vocational Education and Training professional development programmes? Will individuals who have already commenced a course continue to receive support?

Answer:

Access to the Aged Care Education and Training Incentive (AECTI) will cease for new students from 1 April 2016. For those students currently in receipt of the ACETI payments, payment incentives will continue to be paid until the student has completed their studies or the ceasing of the Programme in 30 June 2020 by which time it is expected that all students will have completed their studies.

The Aged Care Workforce and Vocational Education and Training (ACWVET) Programme will cease as of 31 March 2016. As part of their contractual obligations, ACWVET organisations will be required to continue to deliver services until the end of their current funding agreements. Organisations will be required to work with their current student population to ensure that training is completed. The funds payable are dependent upon student completion rates.