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Topic: National Quality Framework

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Senator Hanson-Young, Sarah asked:

What has the Government assessed as the changes that will be required to support remote Indigenous services to comply with the National Quality Framework? Please provide the evidence that supports this assessment.

Answer:

The majority of non-Child Care Benefit approved services, including many Budget Based Funded services operating in remote communities, are not required to comply with the National Quality Framework. The Review of the National Partnership Agreement on the National Quality Agenda on Early Childhood Education and Care is considering the inclusion of out-of-scope services, including Budget Based Funded services, within the National Quality Framework. A decision regulation impact statement is being prepared for consideration by Ministers responsible for child care and early learning. It is anticipated that the decision regulation impact statement will be endorsed before the end of the year.