

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO**  
**2015-16 Budget Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number: 2.4 Support for Child Care System      Question No: SQ15-000495**

**Topic: Community Child Care Fund**

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**Senator Hanson-Young, Sarah** asked:

Broken down, this amounts to an average of only \$76,000 per service. Will the Government let the many centres currently requiring in excess of 4 times this amount to operate in areas of particular disadvantage close? What is the plan to support these services?

**Answer:**

Over the next two years, services will be supported to transition to new funding arrangements that best support the needs of the communities in which they operate.

The Department is also consulting on this through the Regulation Impact Statement process.