

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

**Outcome Number: 1.10 Working Age Payments**

**Question No: SQ15-000612**

**Topic: 4 week waiting period**

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**Senator Siewert, Rachel asked:**

What will the Department do to address the problem of inaccurate 'streaming' of job seekers, which has been identified as a significant issue with the existing employment services arrangements? Will job seekers under 25 be re-assessed to ensure that they are correctly streamed, to ensure that job seekers are not placed at risk? What steps are being taken to make sure that vulnerable job seekers do not slip through the cracks?

**Answer:**

Policy relating to the streaming of job seekers for Employment Provider Services is the responsibility of the Department of Employment.