## **Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

# QUESTION ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

**Outcome: Schools and Youth** 

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000116

Senator Lines, Sue provided in writing

Also refer to previous hearing Question No. SQ15-000841.

## My Future Website

#### Question

Can the Department provide an update regarding the My Future website? According to the 2014/15 Budget the website was to cease operations from 1 January 2015, yet My Future remains online. How is it currently funded? How much funding does the website receive? How many staff is employed to operate the website? Is the website maintained with up to date information as it was pre-2015? If not, in what capacity is the website currently operating? Has the Department been informed of any potential changes concerning the operation or funding of the My Future website going forward?

#### Answer

The Australian Government ceased contributing to the *myfuture* website on 31 December 2014. As states and territories continue to fund the website and its operations, decisions and matters regarding the website and content are state and territory responsibilities.

Other Australian Government initiatives that can assist include:

- the My Skills website (<u>www.myskills.gov.au</u>) which is dedicated to providing comprehensive information to help employers, students and training organisations choose the training that best suits their needs.
- the Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (<a href="www.qilt.edu.au">www.qilt.edu.au</a>) which provides side by side comparisons of the quality of the higher education institutions and the study areas that people are interested in.
- the Job Active website (<a href="www.jobsearch.gov.au/job">www.jobsearch.gov.au/job</a>) which is an Australian Government website designed to get more Australians into work. It connects job seekers with employers and is delivered by a network of job active providers in over 1700 locations across Australia.