

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Agency: ASQA

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000369

Senator Carr, Kim provided in writing

ASQA - Smart City Vocational College

Question

You say that you have been monitoring the implementation of changes in processes by Smart City Vocational College. Is it correct that the changes required are in the areas of marketing and assessment?

How are you conducting this monitoring? What are you doing to monitor this RTO's performance?

How is the provider now performing? Is it implementing the changes satisfactorily?

What further action have you taken with regard to this RTO?

Answer

The Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) has provided the following response.

ASQA found Smart City Vocational College Pty Ltd non-compliant at audit in 2015 in relation to assessment practices and marketing material. In response, the RTO has implemented strategies to address these issues.

ASQA considers it necessary to monitor the implementation of these strategies and has asked for further documentation to be collected to allow ASQA to effectively undertake this monitoring. As a result, ASQA has imposed, under section 29(1) of the NVR Act, the following conditions to Smart City Vocational College's registration:

- the RTO is required to retain enrolment and assessment records for 12 months
- the RTO is required to report data back to ASQA on a regular basis.

To date, Smart City Vocational College Pty Ltd has complied with the conditions and ASQA is satisfied that the information demonstrates that providers have complied with these undertakings.

This provider has been identified for further audit activity, the scope and nature of the audit is yet to be determined.