

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

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

Outcome: Agency: ASQA

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000492

Senator Carr, Kim provided in writing.

ASQA: three industry reports

Question

ASQA has been working on three Industry reports since 2011:

- Review into early childhood development workforce training
- Review into security training
- Review into equine training

On ASQA's website it states that the reviews will be completed by the end of 2014. When will the reports be released?

Answer

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

- ASQA commenced its strategic industry review program in the second half of 2012.
- The first three reviews were:
 - Training for aged and community care in Australia;
 - Marketing and advertising practices of Australia's registered training organisations; and
 - Training for the White Card for Australia's construction industry.
- The reports for each of these three reviews were published on ASQA's website on 16 December 2013.
- Three reviews which commenced in 2014 are being finalised:
 - Training for early childhood education and care (management committee first met on 10 February 2014);
 - Training for the security industry (management committee first met on 12 May 2014); and
 - Training for the equine industry (management committee first met on 29 July 2014).
- The research and analysis for each of these reviews, which began in 2014, has been completed and it is expected that the reports of each review will be published shortly.
- ASQA is undertaking stringent regulatory actions on those RTOs found significantly non-compliant with the required national training standards. The publication of the reviews is being timed to allow the reporting of the results of all of this subsequent regulatory action that ASQA has taken.