

## Senate Committee: Education and Employment

### QUESTION ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018

#### Outcome: Skills and Training

#### Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000943

Senator Cameron, Doug provided in writing.

#### *Australian Apprenticeship Support Network (Administration)*

##### Question

- Please outline how administrative services are costed and paid to the AASN providers. Is it a cost per sign-up? Does the rate differ between providers?
- How are the prices set for those different elements – for example, the price paid for signing up an apprentice? The price for administering a trade support loan?

##### Answer

All administration services, including the administration of incentives and Trade Support Loans, are included as part of Universal Services. Universal services are paid on a fee-for-service basis once each milestone of the Australian Apprenticeship has been met, at the agreed rate in the Australian Apprenticeship Support Network (AASN) Contract.

Band 1 fees are payable for Australian Apprentices defined to be an existing worker and all Australian Apprentices undertaking an AQF level I or II qualification. The fees available for servicing Band 1 Australian Apprentices are payable to a maximum of 80 per cent of the tendered Band 2 unit price.

Milestone	Payment Rate
Commencement / Recommencement	30%
Completion	50%

Band 2 fees are payable for Australian Apprentices undertaking an AQF level III and above qualification, excluding existing workers. Band 2 unit price fees for Universal fees are the prices agreed in AASN Contract. The fees available for servicing Band 2 Australian Apprentices will be payable to a maximum of 105 per cent of the tendered Band 2 unit price depending on performance.

Milestone	Payment Rate
Commencement / Recommencement	30%
12 month point	30%
24 month point	10%
6 month point	10%
Completion	Fixed 20% (first 18 months) Variable 15–25% (remaining contract period)