

**Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-2014**

**Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth**

**Department of Education Question No. ED0008\_14**

**Senator Carr provided in writing.**

**Question**

**National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) test results timeframes**

Are there currently any programs to speed up the turn-around time for NAPLAN test results? When did this work begin? What are the components of this work and the expected implementation dates for each component? Have any of these timeframes, or any part of this program of work, been agreed by State and Territory Ministers?

**Answer**

The Australian Government is committed to faster turnaround of NAPLAN test results. This matter was raised at the 29 November 2013 meeting of the Standing Council on School Education and Early Childhood. State and territory education ministers agreed that the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority would undertake work to identify options to further streamline NAPLAN reporting processes.