

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017**

**Outcome: Early Childhood and Child Care**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000838**

Senator Hanson-Young, Sarah provided in writing.

***In-Home Care Programme***

**Question**

Is removal of the In-Home Care Programme as a form of Approved Childcare consistent with the Government's commitment to the COAG National Child Protection Agreement "Protecting Children Is Everyone's Business National Framework for Australia's Children 2009- 2020"?

**Answer**

The *Jobs for Families* Child Care Package legislation allows for care delivered in the family home.

The current In Home Care (IHC) program is continuing in parallel with the Nanny Pilot Programme. The evaluation of the Nanny Pilot Programme and the review of IHC are designed to provide valuable input to the future policy design for approved child care delivered in the family home.

The Australian Government is committed to supporting families needing care in the home.