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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: AUSTRALIAN SKILLS QUALITY AUTHORITY (ASQA)

TOPIC: ASQA registrations

REFERENCE: Question on Notice (Hansard, Monday 28 May 2012, page 53)

QUESTION No.: BI-26

Senator NASH: Roughly how many hours would it take for one of these registrations to be assessed?

Mr Robinson: We will come back to you with the time it takes to assess a course application. I do not have those figures with me.

ANSWER

The timeframes for accreditation vary depending on a range of factors, such as the quality of the submission.

On average it takes 74 days for a complete course accreditation submission to be assessed against the Standards for VET Accredited Courses 2011, and 56 days for renewal. These average times include a time allowance for feedback from the course proponents where required. ASQA has received a total of 173 applications for initial accreditation and renewal of accreditation of courses since July 2011, as detailed in question BI – 122.