

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2009-2010**

Outcome 4 - Employment & Participation Policy

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Senator Cash provided in writing.

Disability Employment National Panel of Assessors

Question

DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT NATIONAL PANEL OF ASSESSORS

Who is on the Panel of Assessors? What were the criteria for choosing their participation?

Answer

The National Panel of Assessors comprises 77 members. These were announced on 9 December 2009 and published at:

www.workplace.gov.au/workplace/Publications/Purchasing/DisabilityEmploymentServices%28DES%29/AnnouncementofDisabilityEmploymentServicesRFTandITTresults.htm

The selection criteria for the National Panel as published in the Request for Tender for Disability Employment Services 2010–2012 are:

Criterion 1

Demonstrated understanding of the barriers to employment participation experienced by people with disability and the available disability employment services and other program supports.

Criterion 2

Demonstrated performance in delivering assessment services similar to those required for the Ongoing Support Assessments, Supported Wage System Assessments and Workplace Modifications Assessments.

Criterion 3

Proposed strategies to deliver the Ongoing Support Assessments, Supported Wage System Assessments and Workplace Modifications Assessments.

Criterion 4

This Criterion was only used if tendering to deliver Workplace Modifications Assessment Services. Demonstrate and quantify the need for the specialist service, clearly identifying the specialist assessment and detailing your understanding of, experience with, and strategies for implementing the specialist assessment.