

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Outcome 3 - Higher Education, Research & International

Department of Education Question No. ED0285_14

Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question

TEQSA Commissioner

Can you please provide details of when each TEQSA commissioner's term currently expires, and details of the role of each commissioner?

Answer

- The Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA) Commissioner's terms are scheduled to expire as follows:

Appointee	Position	Appointment end date
Dr Carol Nicoll	Chief Commissioner/CEO (full-time)	3 October 2016
Ms Dorte Kristoffersen	Commissioner (full-time)	5 September 2014
Mr Michael Wells	Commissioner (full-time)	2 October 2015
Mr Ian Kawke	Commissioner (part-time)	2 October 2015
Emeritus Professor Clifford Walsh	Commissioner (part-time)	2 February 2018

- The Commissioners are responsible for the strategic leadership of TEQSA.
- They are responsible for delivery of TEQSA's functions under the *Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA) Act 2011* (specifically section 134 of the Act), which includes the registration of higher education providers and the accreditation of courses.
- TEQSA Commissioners also undertake functions under the *Education Services for Overseas Students (ESOS) Act 2000* in relation to approval of registrations on the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS).
- The Chief Commissioner is also the CEO of TEQSA, and is responsible for the management and administration of TEQSA.