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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2003-2004 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 1 and 2

Output Group: 1.2 Assistance for individuals including those with special needs

2.5 Assistance for post school students including those with special needs

DEST Question No. E124_04

Senator Crossin asked on 3 June 2003. EWRE Hansard page 261

Question:

Has there been any discussion with Centrelink about the willingness of their staff to actually visit the communities to assist parents completing this form?

Answer:

Visits by Centrelink to communities

Centrelink has provided the following response.

Centrelink staff currently visit communities to assist parents to complete the ABSTUDY Form. Centrelink have Community Agents who assist customers in applying for Centrelink assistance.