

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2009-10**

**Outcome**          **Corporate**

**DEEWR Question No. EW807\_10**

Senator Humphries provided in writing.

*Refers to previous DEEWR Question No EW778\_09 and EW971\_09.*

**Question**

*Reviews*

How many Reviews are currently being undertaken in the portfolio/agency or affecting the portfolio agency? When will each of these reviews be concluded?

Which Reviews have been completed since Budget Estimates?

When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?

**Answer**

There are 26 reviews currently being undertaken in the portfolio. A list of the reviews and their status since the 2009 Budget Estimates is at [Attachment A](#).

	Name of Review	Status
<b>Higher Education</b>		
1	Review of Regional Loading	Expected to conclude in 2010.
2	The Office of Evaluation and Audit (DoFD) - Review of Indigenous Programs <sup>1</sup>	Conducted over three financial years (09/10, 10/11, 11/12).
<b>COAG and Schools</b>		
3	Review of Online Curriculum Resources – the Arts & Specified Student Groups	Expected to conclude in mid 2010.
4	Review of the Australian Directions into Indigenous Education 2005-2008 – completed October 2009	Completed October 2009
5	Review of Teaching Australia	Response to the review is the transition of Teaching Australia to become the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership from 1 January 2010.
6	Review of Community Festivals for Education Engagement Program	Expected to conclude late 2009.
7	The Office of Evaluation and Audit has undertaken a review of the Indigenous Youth Mobility Program	The Government is expected to respond December 2009
8	Evaluation of An Even Start National Tuition Program	Completed June 2009
9	National Safe Schools Framework Review	Expected to conclude June 2010
10	2009 Financial Health Assessment Framework (FHAF) Pilot Review	To be completed early 2010
11	Review of Chart of Accounts for Non-Government Schools -	Completed November 2009
12	Career Advice Australia Evaluation	Expected to conclude December 2009
13	Evaluation of Youth Pathways	Expected to conclude December 2009
14	Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) program	Expected to conclude June 2010
15	Evaluation of the Boosting Innovation in Science, Technology and Mathematics Teaching Program	Completed September 2009.
16	Review of the National History Challenge and the Simpson Prize	Completed February 2009
<b>International</b>		
17	Review of Education Services for Overseas Students (ESOS) Act 2000 and associated regulatory and legislative frameworks <a href="http://www.deewr.gov.au/Ministers/Gillard/Media/Releases/Pages/Article_090612_124412.aspx">http://www.deewr.gov.au/Ministers/Gillard/Media/Releases/Pages/Article_090612_124412.aspx</a>	Expected to conclude in 2010
<b>Specialist Employment Services</b>		
18	Disability Employment Services Review	Concluded in August 2009 with the release of the Disability Employment Services Request for Tender.
<b>Research Analysis and Evaluation</b>		
19	Review of Migration Occupations in Demand List (MODL) Methodology	Expected to conclude December 2009

<sup>1</sup> This review will effect other areas of the portfolio as the evaluation rolls out.

	<b>Name of Review</b>	<b>Status and Estimated Cost</b>
<b>Early Childhood Education and Childcare</b>		
20	Office of Evaluation and Audit (OEA) - Performance Audit of Multifunctional Aboriginal Children's Services (MACS) and creches under the Budget Based Funding (BF) Program	Expected to conclude June 2010
<b>Youth, Industry Skills; Tertiary Skills &amp; Productivity</b>		
21	Strategic review of the Flexible Learning Advisory Group	NSOC agreed on 4 September that an external review be undertaken, but as yet the jurisdiction to lead this review and therefore the terms of reference have yet to be determined.
22	Mid-term Review of the National Partnership Agreement for the Productivity Places Program	The terms of reference are under development. The review will be completed by June 2010.
23	AQF Council: Strengthening the AQF: An Architecture for Australia's Qualifications (3 Phases)	Preliminary advice given to MCTEE November 2009. Expected to be completed by June 2010.
24	AQF Council: Pathways project	Expected by be completed by end of 2009.
<b>Job Strategies</b>		
25	Taskforce for Strengthening Government Service Delivery for Job Seekers	Expected to conclude mid 2010.
<b>Fair Work Ombudsman</b>		
26	Review of Community Based Employment Advisory Services	The Government is considering the report.