

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(269) Output 2.1: Settlement Services

Senator Hurley (L&C 30) asked:

So would it now be made part of the package that clients are made aware of that there is this special preparatory program?

Answer:

The Integrated Humanitarian Settlement Strategy providers are responsible for linking their clients with the Adult Migrant English Program (AMEP) service providers. They do this by making appointments for their clients with an AMEP service provider

AMEP service providers assess whether an individual should be offered English language tuition under the Special Preparatory Program (SPP). The assessment is undertaken when the client registers for their English language tuition entitlements under the Immigration (Education) Act 1971.

A fact sheet on the SPP is attached.