



Dodson to brief Committee on what works and what needs improving in Indigenous education

The Standing Committee on Indigenous Affairs is inquiring into what educational options have met with the most success for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. We need to know what works best, what has failed and what we can do in conjunction with communities to improve Indigenous education.

Professor Mick Dodson, and Dr Bill Fogarty, from the National Centre for Indigenous Studies (NCIS) will brief the Committee on what is working in indigenous education and what needs to be improved or better supported. The public hearing will be held at Parliament House on **Wednesday 16 March, 5:30 – 6:30pm** in **Committee Room 1R3**.

Full programs for all hearings and further information on the inquiry, including a link to the Committee's e-newsletter, containing updates about the Inquiry and its future work programme, can be found on the inquiry website at www.aph.gov.au/educationalopportunities.

Students, parents and teachers may be interested in participating in the Committee's questionnaire which is also available from the above website.

The public hearing will be webcast live at http://www.aph.gov.au/News_and_Events/Watch_Parliament.

For media comment, please contact the Committee Chair the Hon Dr Sharman Stone MP on (03) 5821 5371 (Electorate Office) or (02) 6277 4477 (Parliament House).

For background information, and advice on making submissions, please contact the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4559 or indigenousaffairs.reps@aph.gov.au