## Senate Committee: Education and Employment

## QUESTION ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2014 - 2015

### **Outcome: Schools and Youth**

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# Reports on the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

#### Question

Mr Cook: There is the National Quality Framework, which is actually looking at the process and ensuring the rigour of the process and that the data that is being collated is rigorous and robust. So there is the National Quality Framework report; that will be part of what would go to ministers as well.

Senator O'NEILL: So when could we expect these to be published?

Mr Cook: Again, that is up to the Education Council, I guess.

Ms Paul: That is probably up to ministers.

Senator O'NEILL: Could you give us, just on notice, an indicative time line of what is up to where and when we could expect it.

Ms Paul: Sure.

#### Answer

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD) has been progressively implemented over three years and 2015 will be the first year all Australian schools participate in the NCCD.

The following table outlines the timing and status of work undertaken for the NCCD.

Report	Author	Status	Publicly available (Y/N)
2011 Trial Report on the NCCD	PwC	Complete	Yes www.education.gov.au/background- information-nationally-consistent- collection-data-school-students- disability
2012 Trial Report on the NCCD	PwC	Complete	Yes www.education.gov.au/background- information-nationally-consistent- collection-data-school-students- disability
2013 - Design of a National Quality Assurance Framework and Implementation Options for the NCCD	Ernst and Young	Complete	No In-confidence report to the Education Council
2013 findings of the NCCD	Joint Working Group to Provide Advice on Reform on Students with	Complete	No In-confidence report to the Education Council

Report	Author	Status	Publicly available (Y/N)
	Disability		
2014 Additional Resourcing Project	PwC	Complete	No In-confidence report to the Education Council
2014 findings of the NCCD	Joint Working Group to Provide Advice on Reform on Students with Disability	Complete	No In-confidence report to the Education Council
2015 Continuous Quality Improvement Project (includes component on additional resourcing)	PwC	In progress	To be considered by Education Council following completion of report*
2015 findings of the NCCD	Joint Working Group to Provide Advice on Reform on Students with Disability	Preparation of report will commence approximately end of October 2015 after submission of 2015 data is completed.	To be considered by Education Council following completion of report*

\*The schedule of Education Council meetings is yet to be confirmed for late 2015.

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