Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Outcome: Early Childhood and Child Care

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Community Child Care Fund - CPI index and other increases

Question

Parts of the Child Care Subsidy are indexed at CPI – are safety net programs like the Community Child Care Fund also indexed by CPI? Will funding increase in line with population or need? Or will it stay static?

Answer

The Community Child Care Fund will be indexed by a wage cost index, not CPI.