

## **Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment**

### **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016**

#### **Outcome 1 - Employment**

**Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-000127**

**Senator Lines provided in writing.**

#### **Question**

##### **MYEFO streamlining measures**

What is the impact of the Government's decision to remove \$127 million out of jobactive through the streamlining measures detailed in the Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook? How many job seekers will receive lesser or difference services as result of the streamlining measures?

Has the Department received any complaints or concerns from Providers that this will impact their viability, or the level of service they can provide?

#### **Answer**

1. From 1 July 2016, the Streamlining the Intensive Servicing Arrangements for Young Job Seekers measure changes eligibility for the intensive servicing for job seekers aged under 30 (Under 30s measure) to only job seekers who are under 25 years of age and in Stream A.
2. All Stream B job seekers and Stream A job seekers aged over 25 will receive mainstream jobactive servicing. Existing job seekers already participating in jobactive and receiving the intensive servicing arrangements as at 30 June 2016 will continue to receive the intensive servicing arrangements until such time as they leave jobactive or their circumstances change.
3. It is estimated that approximately 64,600 job seekers per year will no longer receive intensive servicing and will receive mainstream servicing in jobactive.
4. The changes announced in MYEFO have been discussed with providers and the National Employment Services Association as part of the Department's ongoing and regular stakeholder engagement activities.