

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017**

Outcome: Agency: AITSL

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000401

Senator Collins, Jacinta provided in writing

AITSL - Professional Standards for Teachers

Question

To what extent have the Professional Standards for Teachers been implemented?

- a. How many states and systems have achieved full implementation?
- b. When were the Professional Standards for Teachers first developed?
- c. When were the Professional Standards for Teachers first endorsed by Education Ministers?
- d. How is AITSL monitoring their implementation?

Answer

The Australian Institute of Teaching and School Leadership has provided the following response:

- a. The Australian Professional Standards for Teachers (APST) have been implemented nationally in all states and territories. An evaluation of the implementation of the APST was conducted between 2013 and 2015. The final report of the Evaluation has been provided in the response to question on notice SQ17-000341.

AITSL has enhanced its support for implementation of the Standards through a range of new resources, tools and initiatives including:
 - Graduate to Proficient: Australian guidelines for teacher induction into the profession (endorsed by Education Council in July 2016)
 - My Induction app (February 2017)
 - Teacher Self-Assessment Tool (March 2017)
 - Feedback implementation resources (April 2017)
- b. Work on the APST commenced in 2009. AITSL assumed responsibility for validating and finalising the Standards in July 2010.
- c. The APST were endorsed by Education Ministers in December 2010.
- d. AITSL is monitoring implementation and use of the APST by including questions relating specifically to the APST in AITSL's biennial Stakeholder Survey. AITSL will also monitor aggregated data from the new Teacher Self-Assessment Tool for insight into awareness and use of the APST.