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Topic: Autism Specific Early Learning Centres

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Senator Siewert asked:

The National Disability Strategy (NDS) 2010-20 says that the Commonwealth Helping Children with Autism initiative will establish eight Autism specific Early Learning Centres across Australia.

1. Where will the 8 centres be located?
2. Will one of the centres be located in the ACT? If not, why not?

Answer:

On page 57 of the NDS there is a reference to the number of Autism Specific Early Learning and Care Centres (ASELCC) being established. This is an error which will be corrected in the first year report.

These six centres have been established in the following locations:

South Western Sydney - The KU Marcia Burgess Autism Specific Early Learning and Care Centre;
Melbourne - The La Trobe University Margot Prior Autism Specific Early Learning and Care Centre
Adelaide - The Daphne Street Child Care and Specialist Early Learning Centre
Brisbane - The Queensland Autism Specific Early Learning and Care Centre - AEIOU for children with autism
Perth - The Autism Association (WA) Jellybeans Autism Specific Early Learning and Care Centre
Tasmania - The Alexander Beetle House Autism Specific Early Learning and Care Centre