

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION  
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2005-2006 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING  
16 FEBRUARY 2006  
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Outcome 2:** Higher productivity, higher pay workplace

**Output Group 2.2:** Workplace relations implementation

**Output 2.2.3:** Workplace relations services

**Question Number:** W733-06

**Question:**

Senator Bartlett asked in writing:

The Age on Saturday 28 January 2006 carried an advertisement from DEWR for a 'national network of industry-based advisors to deliver advice on the application of the Workchoice reform' which aims to 'ensure that there are advisors around Australia ... able to educate and assist employers to implement the reforms on a industry basis.' When will this network be operational and will there be advisors chosen who have specific knowledge of the disability sector and who will be able to give informed advice specific to this sector?

**Answer:**

The network of advisors, under the auspices of the Employer Advisory Programme, are expected to commence their activities by the end of April 2006.

There are a number of EAP Advisors with specific knowledge of the disability sector.