Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2012-2013

Outcome 1 - Early Childhood, Working Age and Indigenous Participation

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Senator Hanson-Young provided in writing.

Question

Aboriginal Children and Family Centres objectives

Which proportion of Aboriginal Children and Family Centres - and in particular which Centres, have been established as community controlled services, consistent with their objectives?

Answer

Currently twelve Children and Family Centres are community controlled or led by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations.

The centres at Palm Island, Logan, Mareeba, Cairns, Ballina, Brewarrina, Lightning Ridge, Toronto and Bairnsdale are community controlled.

The centres at Ipswich, Rockhampton and Halls Creek are operated by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations.

The centres at Mornington Island and Doomadgee are operated by a service provider that plans to hand the centres to community control.