

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10**

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DEEWR Question No. EW0051_10

Senator Xenophon provided in writing.

Question

What instructions has DEEWR been given to explore options to respond to the calls for aged care nurses to be provided with the same pay and conditions as nurses working in hospitals?

Answer

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations has not undertaken any work, nor has it been asked to undertake any work, regarding the calls for aged care nurses to be provided with the same pay and conditions as nurses working in hospitals.