

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace  
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2011-2012**

**Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth**

**DEEWR Question No. EW0815\_12**

**Senator Marshall asked on 20 October 2011, Hansard page 46**

**Question**

**Age Chaplaincy**

CHAIR: Will you be able to find out if there are age categories? Could you find out how many chaplains are under 21 and then of those how old they are? Mr Sheedy: Yes.

**Answer**

Under the National School Chaplaincy Program (NSCP) Guidelines, schools are able to select and employ the chaplain that they deem most suitable to meet the needs of the school community.

The survey of major chaplains service providers conducted in 2011 found there are 14 chaplains currently funded by the NSCP who are between 18 and 21.