

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

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2012-2013**

Outcome 1 – Early Childhood, Working Age and Indigenous Participation

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Senator Nash asked on 18 October 2012, Hansard page 111

Question

Child Care Management System (CCMS) Education Qualification Information

Mr Maynard: Yes. We are seeking advice on a range of notifiable events. The upgrade included a range of things. It moved a range of paper based products online, which made it simpler for them to provide us with advice as to when a range of notifiable events occurred. The sorts of information that we are now seeking online does not differ from what we had previously sought in a paper based version.

Senator NASH: So there is nothing really additional; it is just the shift from paper to online. With that information, are the qualification levels for staff—obviously there has been a lot of change—required with that data that is provided? Mr Maynard: To my knowledge we have not been asking those questions. Ms Taylor: I will take it on notice.

Answer

Family Day Care and In Home Care services are required to provide the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) with details of their carer's highest relevant qualifications. Since 1 November 2012 these services have been required to provide this information, amongst other carer details, to DEEWR electronically via the CCMS.

Qualification information for staff working in all other approved child care services may be submitted to DEEWR via the CCMS on a voluntary basis.