

AITSL Consultation Summary

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Mark outlined the current 6 priorities of AITSL:

- Cultural Competency for Teachers – there has been a 15 month consultation with ATSI Communities and the public generally. In May this year a national dialogue will commence.
- Initial teacher Education (ITE) – there are 47 providers around Australia. There are 8 that have not achieved the standards currently required.
- HALT Certification – Looking for a summit and consultations to determine how to make the HALT Certification feasible and relevant to the profession in the different states, Enterprise Agreements and sectors.
- Australian Teacher Workforce Data Collection – currently being collected at a national level. The data can be cut to provide information about sectors and providers.
- Australian Teacher Workforce Strategy – State Education Ministers want the ability to choose which actions they want to focus on. They do not want a set of National Actions to be judged against. The April Meeting of the Ministers will probably release a Report rather than actions.
- VET – AITSL is investigating Senior Secondary Pathways based on the work of Peter Shergold. There was also discussion regarding the ability for teachers to be trained and qualified to deliver VET programs.

Other Discussion Points:

- Teacher Registration – National Approach being investigated.
- STEM – data regarding female participation showing a decline outside of medicine careers.
- Rural & Remote Education Issues – need for equity throughout Australia
- School Leadership and Expert Standing Committee (SLTESC) – CaSPA is looking for representation in the committee. Mark and Sharon will look into the request.