**What is the A Fresh Start initiative?**

*A Fresh Start: Improving the preparation and quality of teachers for Queensland schools* aims to improve the preparation and quality of teachers for all Queensland schools addressing issues across the areas of:

- teacher supply
- initial teacher education
- supervision, mentoring and induction.

Key initiatives for all school sectors include:

- **Professional Experience Partnership Agreements** to strengthen partnerships between school sectors and Higher Education Institutions focused on supporting professional experience undertaken in Queensland schools;
- **Professional Experience Reporting Framework** to ensure a streamlined and moderated approach to the assessment of professional experience;
- Strengthen governance of initial teacher education programs;
- Annual Reviews of initial teacher education programs.

A cross sector Teacher Quality Reference Group is guiding development and implementation of the initiatives for full implementation from 2015.

**What does the A Fresh Start initiative mean for Catholic education?**

The Catholic sector will have input through the Teacher Quality Reference Group which will act as a forum for discussion, including reporting on the development and progression of initiatives.

**Links**

For more information visit: *A Fresh Start: Improving the preparation and quality of teachers for Queensland schools*