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**QUESTION 1014.**

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**1014. Dr D C Christians (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education: to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

What qualification pathways has her department explored to ensure that Grade R teachers who might not currently possess the required qualifications obtain them?

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##### **Response**

The Department of Basic Education has drafted a proposal on the career paths for unqualified and underqualified Grade R practitioners. This proposal is currently being consulted with the unions in the Education Labour Relations Council. Once consultations are concluded, the Department of Basic Education will outline clear implementation steps to ensure that all Grade R practitioners have access to recognised qualification pathways, strengthening Foundation Phase education in South Africa.