

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO**

**Additional Estimates 13 & 15 February 2013**

**Question:** E13-106

**OUTCOME 0:** Whole of Portfolio

**Topic:** Media Training

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Senator Boyce

**Question:**

In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date:

1. Total spending on these services
2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification
3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
4. The names of all service providers engaged For each service purchased form a provider listed under (4), please provide:
  - a) The name and nature of the service purchased
  - b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based
5. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
6. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - c) The total amount spent on the service
  - d) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:
  - i. The location used
  - ii. The number of employees who took part on each occasion
  - iii. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - iv. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location

**Answer:**

1-3.

Please refer to Attachment A.

4-5.

Please refer to Attachment B.

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Please refer to Attachment C.

**E13-106 – Media Training**

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3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)

Answer:

Please note the following agencies reported zero spend on Media Training for 1 July 2012-31 January 2013:

- Department of Health and Ageing including the National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment; Office of the Gene Technology Regulator; and the Therapeutic Goods Administration;
- Aged Care Standards & Accreditation Agency Ltd;
- Australian Commission on Safety & Quality;
- Australian National Preventive Health Agency;
- Australian Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation Authority;
- Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency;
- Cancer Australia;
- General Practice Education and Training;
- Independent Hospital Pricing Authority;
- National Blood Authority;
- National Health Funding Body;
- Private Health Insurance Administration Council;
- Private Health Insurance Ombudsman; and
- Professional Services Review.

Department / Portfolio Agency	1. Total spending on these services		2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification		3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)		
	Expenditure 1 July 2012 – 31 January 2013 (GST exclusive)		Number of employees offered these services	Employment classification	Number of employees who have utilised these services	Employment classification	How much study leave each employee was granted (breakdown for each employment classification)
Australian Institute of Health and Welfare	\$6,136		14	EL 2 and SES Band 1	6	EL 2 and SES Band 1	Nil
Food Standards Australia and New Zealand	\$5,069		26	EL1 to SES	7	EL1 to SES	Nil
Health Workforce Australia	\$1,500		Nil*	N/A	Nil	N/A	Nil
National Health and Medical Research Council	\$3,900		240	APS to SES and Research Scientist	22	APS to SES and Research Scientist	Nil
National Health Performance Authority	\$3,000		1	SES or equivalent	1	SES or equivalent	Nil

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4. The names of all service providers engaged. For each service purchased form a provider listed under (4), please provide:
  - a) The name and nature of the service purchased
  - b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based
5. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)

Department / Portfolio Agency	4. The names of all service providers engaged. For each service purchased form a provider listed under (4), please provide: a) The name and nature of the service purchased b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based	5. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
Australian Institute of Health and Welfare	Fingerprint Communications a) Handling media enquiries, and interview skills b) Mixture of group-based classroom training combined with short one-on-one sessions, and, for one recipient, a four-hour one-on-one session.	6  1 SES Band 1 5 EL 2
Food Standards Australia and New Zealand	Graeme Cummings Productions a) Media Training b) Group training	7  2 SES 4 EL 2 1 EL 1
Health Workforce Australia	R K Media Trust a) One off media training workshop b) Group based	Nil*  N/A
National Health and Medical Research Council	TASKFORCE Consultants and Trainers a) Media Management workshop b) Group based	22  1 SES 2 EL 2 5 EL 1 8 APS 6 3 APS 5 1 APS 4 1 APS 3
National Health Performance Authority	Templeman Consulting Pty Ltd a) Media and Communications Skills Workshop b) One on One	1  SES or equivalent

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**EL3-106 – Media Training**

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6. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)

c) The total amount spent on the service

d) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)

i. The location used

ii. The number of employees who took part on each occasion

iii. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)

iv. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location

Department / Portfolio Agency	6. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)	c) The total amount spent on the service	d) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)	Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:			
				i. The location used	ii. The number of employees who took part on each occasion	iii. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)	iv. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location
Australian Institute of Health and Welfare	3 hours - 1 SES Band 1 4 hours each - 5 EL 2s	\$6,136	Complete package, charge per hour (for the four hour stand-alone one-on-one session)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Food Standards Australia and New Zealand	4 hours - 2 SES and 1 EL 2 6 hours - 3 EL 2 6 hours - 1 EL 1	\$5,069 (includes room hire)	Complete package	Kurrajong Hotel, Barton, Canberra	3	4 hours each for all classifications	\$519
Health Workforce Australia	Nil	\$1,500	Complete package	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
National Health and Medical Research Council	3 hours - 1 SES 3 hours - 1 Research Scientist 3 hours each - 2 EL 2 3 hours each - 5 EL 1 3 hours each - 8 APS 6 3 hours each - 3 APS 5 3 hours - 1 APS 4 3 hours - 1 APS 3	\$3,900	Complete package	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
National Health Performance Authority	Not recorded.	\$3,000	Complete package	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A