

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES - 21 NOVEMBER 2013 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Human Services

Topic: Media Training

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Question:

- a) In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 to date:
 - i) total spending on these services;
 - ii) the number of employees offered these services and their employment classification;
 - iii) 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); and
 - iv) the names of all service providers engaged.
- b) For each service purchased from a provider listed under (a)(iv), please provide:
 - i) the name and nature of the service purchased;
 - ii) whether the service is one-on-one or group based;
 - iii) the number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification);
 - iv) the total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification);
 - v) the total amount spent on the service; and
 - vi) a description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package).
- c) 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); and
 - iv) any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location.

Answer:

- a) i) \$300
ii) 27 staff, including:
- 2 x EL2
 - 7 x EL1
 - 11 x APS6
 - 6 x APS5
 - 1 x Graduate
- iii) As above. These were two one-hour sessions so no study leave was required.
iv) Amanda Crane - La Trobe University Lecturer in Journalism and Strategic Communication.
- b) i) These were two presentations by a media expert on how modern media organisations are interacting through social media.
ii) Group-based.
iii) See answer (a) (ii).
iv) Two hours for all attendees.
v) \$300.
vi) Complete package.
- c) Not applicable.