### **Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

# QUESTION ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018

**Outcome: Cross Portfolio** 

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000860

Senator Bilyk, Catryna provided in writing

# **Departmental functions**

#### Question

In relation to expenditure on any functions or official receptions etc hosted by the Department or agencies in the portfolio since 1 March 2017, can the following please be provided:

- List of functions;
- · List of attendees:
- Function venue;
- Itemised list of costs (GST inclusive);
- Details of any food served;
- Details of any wines or champagnes served including brand and vintage; and
- Details of any entertainment provided.

#### **Answer**

In relation to major stakeholder and/or public departmental events which incurred expenditure, the department has held seven functions or official receptions between 1 March and 31 May 2017.

Commonwealth, State and Territory International Education and Training Forum, 10 March 2017		
Attendees	<ul> <li>34 attendees including:</li> <li>State and Territory representatives</li> <li>Australian Government representatives</li> <li>Department of Education and Training representatives</li> <li>Other Commonwealth agencies representatives</li> </ul> The department considers the names of the attendees and the fact of their attendance at these events to be 'personal information' under the Privacy Act 1988. It therefore declines to provide this information, in order to protect the privacy of the attendees.	
Venue	Department of Education and Training, Canberra	
Costs	Catering – \$325.50	
Food	Lunch	
Alcohol	Nil	
Entertainment	Nil	

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD) on Students with Disability - Quality Improvement and Assurance Forum, 5–6 April 2017	
Attendees	<ul> <li>64 attendees including:</li> <li>Joint Working Group to provide Advice on Reform for Students with Disability members and secretariat support staff</li> <li>Practitioners responsible for NCCD collection</li> <li>Consultants associated with the NCCD.</li> <li>The department considers the names of the attendees and the fact of their attendance at these events to be 'personal information' under the Privacy Act 1988. It therefore declines to provide this information, in order to protect the privacy of the attendees.</li> </ul>
Venue	Autism Hub and Reading Centre, Brisbane
Costs	Catering – \$2806.00
Food	Morning tea Lunch Tea and coffee
Alcohol	Nil
Entertainment	Nil

School Leadership Roundtable (jointly hosted by Australian Institute of Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL) and the Department of Education and Training), 11 April 2017		
Attendees	<ul> <li>38 attendees including:</li> <li>School leadership stakeholders including principals and associations</li> <li>AITSL representatives</li> <li>Departmental representatives</li> </ul> The department considers the names of the attendees and the fact of their attendance at these events to be 'personal information' under the Privacy Act 1988. It therefore declines to provide this information, in order to protect the privacy of the attendees.	
Venue	National Portrait Gallery, Canberra	
Costs	Venue hire – \$800.00 Catering – \$2943.72	
Food	Morning tea Lunch Tea and coffee	
Alcohol	Nil	
Entertainment	Nil	

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Higher Education Information Session, 2 May 2017	
Attendees	<ul> <li>55 attendees including:         <ul> <li>Various executive level staff from higher education institutions</li> <li>Departmental representatives</li> </ul> </li> <li>The department considers the names of the attendees and the fact of their attendance at these events to be 'personal information' under the Privacy Act 1988. It therefore declines to provide this information, in order to protect the privacy of the attendees.</li> </ul>
Venue	Department of Education and Training, Canberra
Costs	Catering – \$805.00 Security services – \$151.00
Food	Light refreshments Tea, coffee and juice
Alcohol	Nil

Child Care Transition and Implementation Stakeholder Workshop, 2 May 2017	
Attendees	<ul> <li>25 attendees including:</li> <li>Stakeholder representatives</li> <li>Departmental representatives</li> <li>Other government department officials</li> </ul> The department considers the names of the attendees and the fact of their attendance at these events to be 'personal information' under the Privacy Act 1988. It therefore declines to provide this information, in order to protect the privacy of the attendees.
Venue	Department of Education and Training, Canberra
Costs	Catering – \$912.50
Food	Morning Tea Lunch Afternoon Tea Tea and coffee
Alcohol	Nil
Entertainment	Nil

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Child Care Third Party Software - Implementation Reference Group, 5 May 2017	
Attendees	<ul> <li>54 attendees including:</li> <li>Key stakeholders</li> <li>Departmental representatives</li> <li>Other Government department representatives</li> </ul> The department considers the names of the attendees and the fact of their attendance at these events to be 'personal information' under the Privacy Act 1988. It therefore declines to provide this information, in order to protect the privacy of the attendees.
Venue	Department of Education and Training, Canberra
Costs	Catering – \$1601.00 Webcast, live caption and transcript services – \$1664.30
Food	Morning Tea Lunch Tea and coffee
Alcohol	Nil
Entertainment	Nil

Information Session on the Higher Education Participation and Partnerships Program (HEPPP) Reforms, 24 May 2017		
Attendees	<ul> <li>78 attendees including:         <ul> <li>Equity practitioners from Table A Universities, University groupings and peak bodies representatives</li> <li>Departmental representatives</li> </ul> </li> <li>The department considers the names of the attendees and the fact of their attendance at these events to be 'personal information' under the Privacy Act 1988. It therefore declines to provide this information, in order to protect the privacy of the attendees.</li> </ul>	
Venue	Department of Education and Training, Canberra	
Costs	Catering – \$3009.00 Security services – \$264.18	
Food	Morning tea Lunch Tea, coffee and juice	
Alcohol	Nil	
Entertainment	Nil	

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