

Senate Community Affairs Committee
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Outcome Number: 4

Question No: 149

Topic: Seniors Conferences and Workshops

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Please provide details on Seniors staff attending conferences, workshops, seminars and planning days outside of Canberra - where were they located, what were the titles and objectives and what was the cost to the Department - including travel.

Answer:

Eight staff members from Seniors and Means Test Branch attended conferences, workshops, seminars and planning days paid for this financial year outside of Canberra. In the table below are the details and costs associated with this training, including travel costs.

Number of staff	Type of training	Location of training	Title	Objective of training	Cost to Dept this financial year
3	Conference	Sydney	Superannuation Colloquium	Maintain and update knowledge of new research on superannuation and retirement incomes.	\$1,410.00
2	Conference	Gold Coast	Financial Services Council	Maintain and update knowledge of current financial products and issues to inform means test policy.	\$630.00
1	Conference	Sydney	Emerging Researchers in Ageing Conference	Maintain and update knowledge on new research being conducted on Ageing population.	\$410.00

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1	Information sessions	Hobart	DHS site visit "Noah's Ark program"	Meet with Centrelink staff and customers to understand service delivery issues and inform policy development and program management.	\$1,280.00
1	Forum	Melbourne	HILDA Survey Research	Understand research and outcomes of HILDA Survey	\$500.00
				TOTAL COST OF INTERSTATE TRAINING THIS FINANCIAL YEAR	\$4,230.00