

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace  
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Additional Estimates 2010-2011**

**Outcome 4 - Employment & Participation Policy**

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**Senator Mason asked on 24/02/2011, Hansard page 59.**

**Question**

**NATURE AND COST OF TRAINING FOR INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS  
EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS**

Senator MASON—What is the duration of training, Mr Griew? Mr Griew—I may have to take that on notice. It does not say here. I presume it would be oriented towards a standard qualification, but I do not have that information. Senator MASON—Okay. You can check that. What is the nature of the training provided, can you take that on notice as well? Mr Griew—I can. Senator MASON—Thank you very much. How much is the cost per training place? Mr Griew—The total contract value is \$359,152. Senator MASON—Yes. Mr Griew—And the target number of training places and employment outcomes has been specified, so I presume you could calculate that by dividing one by the other, but I can get a more full answer— Senator MASON—I have calculators in stereo here, Mr Griew. I cannot use either of them. Mr Collins—I do not think that will help. Senator MASON—I cannot use either of them, but I have them, Mr Griew. Mr Griew—If one were to divide it, the approximate unit value is obviously about \$3,000, but if we are taking on notice the nature of the training, why don't I also find out the nature of the cost structure of the training for you.

**Answer**

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations has provided the following response.

For project CN359895, the training duration is 65 weeks.

Participants are required to complete a Certificate II in Aged Care and may complete up to a Certificate III in Aged Care depending on ability. A Senior First Aid Certificate is also required to be completed as part of the minimum training qualification.

The cost per training place is \$2,800.