Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2011-2012

Agency - Comcare

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Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

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Follow up question: 1: this question was actually about why the mixed training delivery (part face to face and part practical) was excluded from the survey (rather than the subsequent guidelines). For example see page 40 of the Stoker and Wright (2009) review. The options given include the existing training methods of some providers (being face to face) some other models that don't ever seem to have been used but excluded one of the models already being used being part face (2 days) and part self-directed practical (2 days). Was this a clumsy oversight or a deliberate attempt to sideline this type of delivery?

Answer

Comcare has provided the following response.

Comcare rejects the suggestion that the phrasing of the survey question was either a clumsy oversight of a deliberate attempt to sideline a particular type of delivery. Participants could nominate a variety of delivery options and also a free text option for 'other'.