

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 15 OCTOBER 2012

PM&C Portfolio

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Topic: Education Expenses 2011-12

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

For 2011-12, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). Also include the reason for the study and how it is beneficial for the department/agency.

Answer:

In 2011-12, the National Mental Health Commission spent \$3,907.75 (GST excl.) on staff education expenses, as follows:

- \$3,545.45 on 'Sydney Writers Centre' courses for one EL1 and one APS4 to develop the Commission's internal communications capacity.
- \$362.30 on 'St John Ambulance First Aid course', completed by one EL2 to ensure adherence to workplace health and safety.

Study leave was not applicable for these courses.