

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

Question Taken on Notice

Date: 18 June 2019

Subject: Investment in training IT professionals

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To: Hon. Lauren Moss

Agency: Corporate and Information Services

Number: 8-10

Question: How much are we investing in upskilling the current permanent IT professionals that we have employed in government?

Answer:

For the period 1 July 2018 to 31 March 2019 the Department of Corporate and Information Services has invested \$92 967 to upskill IT professionals in government, with over 4200 hours spent on training/development activities and 615 staff participating in these activities throughout this period.

Staff have also participated in knowledge and awareness development, training and partnership programs such as:

- Charles Darwin University - Code Fair, cyber security research, development of micro credential courses
- engagement of CDU Masters students and graduate program placements
- Gartner seminars and symposium
- GovHack
- Digital Futures events, Inspiring Women into Technology and My Path to Tech
- Cyber Security Awareness Month, providing cyber security upskilling for ICT and other staff in government, as well as broader training and awareness for the ICT industry, local businesses and vulnerable groups in the community
- Hackathons.