

Contract Notification

CN No.	2015-16	Date:	20 November 2015
To:	Chief Executive Officer or equivalent		
Purpose:	Information only		
Scope:	'VET Funding Contracts' <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 2014-16 VET Funding Contract- 2014-16 VET Funding Contract (TAFE)- 2014-16 VET Funding Contract (Dual Sector)		
Subject:	Change from Job Seeker to jobactive		

For all RTO staff

Purpose

- This Contract Notification is to advise RTOs that:
 - the Commonwealth Government has replaced the 'Job Services Australia' (JSA) program with the 'jobactive' program; and
 - the Commonwealth Department of Employment (the Department of Employment) has published a new *Job Seeker Referral Form – Government Subsidised Training in Victoria* for jobactive providers and an accompanying Fact Sheet.

Background

- jobactive has replaced JSA as the Commonwealth Government's program to assist job seekers to find work. jobactive commenced on 1 July 2015.
- VET Funding Contracts have been amended to replace all references to 'JSA' with 'jobactive.' Refer to CN 2015-14 - Refreshed 2014-16 VET Funding Contract (Version 3) for details of where specific amendments have been made.

Main Points

- As part of the jobactive program, jobactive providers may access the Commonwealth Government's Employment Fund to contribute to the cost of government subsidised training for a job seeker in Victoria.
- The Department of Employment has prepared a fact sheet for jobactive providers with information about the process for referring job seekers to government subsidised training in Victoria. RTOs should refer to the fact sheet for information about the referral process and the role that it outlines for RTOs in advising jobactive providers of a job seeker's eligibility for government subsidised training.
- The Department of Employment has also published a new *Job Seeker Referral Form – Government Subsidised Training in Victoria*. RTOs should note that jobactive providers must use the *Job Seeker Referral Form – Subsidised Training in Victoria* when they are using the Employment Fund to contribute to the cost of subsidised training for a job seeker in Victoria. This form replaces all previous versions.

Critical Dates

- The *Job Seeker Referral Form – Subsidised Training in Victoria* was published by the Department of Employment on 20 November 2015 and replaces all previous versions.

Relevant Resources

Victoria – Government Subsidised Training Fact Sheet

Sample of *Job Seeker Referral Form – Government Subsidised Training in Victoria*.

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