

Contract Notification

CN No.	2022-08	Date: 24 May 2022
To:	Chief Executive Officer or equivalent	
Purpose:	Variation to Contract	
Scope:	All 2022 VET Funding Contracts (version 2.0)	
Subject:	Release of updated versions of 2022 Contracts and Guidelines About Eligibility	

Purpose

This Contract Notification is to advise training providers that version 3.0 of the VET Funding Contracts and the Guidelines About Eligibility are published in the 'Documents' section of SVTS.

Background

It is standard process that the Department may vary the VET Funding Contract and Guidelines to reflect changes to policy, reflect new or updated initiatives or to make minor administrative edits. See **Attachment 1** for a list of changes to the Contracts and Guidelines.

Main points

Expansion of eligibility for the Asylum Seeker VET program

Following the recent unrest in Ukraine, the Australian Government announced that 6,000 humanitarian visa places will be allocated to Ukrainian evacuees. Most Ukrainian evacuees will be granted the Humanitarian Stay (Temporary) (subclass 449) visa on arrival and will be invited to make an application for the Temporary Humanitarian Concern (subclass 786) visa. Both visas are eligible for the ASVET program and Skills First funding.

The eligibility criteria for the ASVET program are expanded to include people who hold a valid Temporary Humanitarian Concern (subclass 786) visa. This applies to new commencements from 24 May 2022. See Attachment 1 for a list of changes to the Contracts and Guidelines.

Access to the ASVET program will enable these asylum seekers to engage in supported education and training with a pathway towards employment upon arrival in Victoria. This will increase their ability to settle in the community, develop economic independence and participate in Australian society.

Resources

The following documents are published in the 'Documents' section of SVTS and replace versions 2.0:

- 2022 Standard VET Funding Contract (version 3.0)
- 2022 TAFE VET Funding Contract (version 3.0)
- 2022 Dual Sector VET Funding Contract (version 3.0)

- 2022 Guidelines About Eligibility (version 3.0)




All changes are highlighted in grey within each document.

Critical Dates

Version 3.0 of the Contracts and the Guidelines About Eligibility take effect from 24 May 2022.

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Attachment 1: list of changes

Contract type	Change	Clause	Summary of change
All	NEW WORDING 	Clause 13 of Schedule 1	New sub-clause 13.1(b)(vi) is added to expand the eligibility for the ASVET program to holders of the Temporary Humanitarian Concern (subclass 786) visa.
Guidelines About Eligibility			
N/A	NEW WORDING 	Attachment 1	Section A – ‘Evidence of citizenship/residency and age’ has been edited to include the Temporary Humanitarian Concern (subclass 786) visa as a form of evidence for the ASVET program.
N/A	NEW WORDING 	Attachment 2	The ASVET program section has been edited to include Temporary Humanitarian Concern (subclass 786) visa.