Variation Document

Variations to:

2014-16 VET Funding Contract
2014-16 VET Funding Contract (TAFE)
2014-16 VET Funding Contract (Dual Sector)
2014 VET Funding Contract
2014 VET Funding Contract
(Non-Victorian based RTO delivering to a National Enterprise)

‘VET Funding Contracts’

Reading notes:
This variation is made in accordance with Clauses 1.3(h) and 4.2(a) of the VET Funding Contracts
Italicised headings are for reference only and do not affect interpretation of this document
Terms and Conditions

Schedule 1 – Victorian Training Guarantee Program Specifications

Delete Clauses 2.7, 2.8, 2.9 and 2.10 in Schedule 1 of the VET Funding Contracts and replace with the below:

2.7 In addition to meeting the requirements of Clause 2.6 of this Schedule 1, an individual is only eligible to:

   a) commence a maximum of two government subsidised courses in a calendar year. Where an individual is enrolled in a course(s) that is scheduled to commence at a later date in that calendar year, this course(s) must be counted for the purpose of this clause when assessing eligibility;

   b) undertake a maximum of two government subsidised courses at any one time;

   c) commence a maximum of two government subsidised courses at the same level within the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) in their lifetime; and

   d) commence a maximum of two government subsidised accredited courses with the title ‘Course in…’ in their lifetime.

2.8 For the purposes of Clause 2.7(a) and (b) of this Schedule 1, if an individual is seeking to enrol in an Apprenticeship (not Traineeship), qualifications listed on Approved Pre-Apprenticeship and Pathway Qualifications will not be counted towards the course maximums.

2.9 For the purposes of Clause 2.7(c) and (d) of this Schedule 1, qualifications listed on Foundation Skills List (and their predecessors) will not be counted towards the course maximums.

Additional Apprentice/Trainee Eligibility Requirements

2.10 If the RTO is to deliver training to eligible Apprentices/Trainees who are Eligible Individuals in accordance with the schemes deemed by the VRQA to be Approved Training Schemes under the Act, then in addition to individual eligibility requirements detailed in Clauses 2.6, and 2.7 of this Schedule 1, to be eligible for government subsidised training under the VET Funding Contract as an Apprentice/Trainee and thereby be an Eligible Individual for the purposes of the VET Funding Contract, the individual must be:

   a) employed in Victoria in either a full time or part time capacity under an award or registered agreement;

   b) undertaking an Approved Training Scheme;

   c) a signatory to a Training Contract with their employer which is registered with the VRQA;

   d) a signatory, jointly with the employer and the RTO, to a Training Plan; and

   e) involved in paid work and Structured Training, either workplace based or off-the-job.
Delete Clauses 12.6 and 12.7 of Schedule 1 of the VET Funding Contracts and replace with the following:

12.6 The hourly rate per scheduled hour is based on either the ‘Subsidy’ or ‘RPL Subsidy’ field of the Funded Courses Report as published on the SVTS as relevant. The hourly rate per scheduled hour takes into account the applicable payment year, course commencement date and enrolment type (non-apprenticeship or apprenticeship), and adjusted (if applicable) as follows:

By a student loading being either or both of the following two:

i. For Eligible Individuals who self-identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent (and are reported as such through the “Indigenous Student Identifier” field of the Student Statistical Report) by multiplying the ‘Subsidy’ or ‘RPL Subsidy’ for the course by 1.5

and

ii. For Eligible Individuals aged 15-19 years as at 1 January in the year of commencement of training without a senior secondary certificate or an accredited qualification at Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) II or above, and eligible for a concession in accordance with Clauses 3.6 and 3.7 of the Guidelines about Fees, by multiplying the ‘Subsidy’ or ‘RPL Subsidy’ for the course by 1.3.

b) By a regional loading whereby the relevant ‘Subsidy’ or ‘RPL Subsidy’ for units/modules delivered in non-metropolitan locations to Eligible Individuals will be adjusted by the Department by multiplying the ‘Subsidy’ or ‘RPL Subsidy’ for the course by 1.1. Training will be considered to be in a non-metropolitan location if the postcode of the training delivery location identified in the NAT000120 file is one of the postcodes identified as “non-metropolitan” on the Regional Postcodes Report as published on SVTS. The Regional Postcodes Report is subject to change at any time. The Regional Loading does not apply to online delivery or to distance education. Delivery will be deemed to have been delivered online or via distance education if:

i. the postcode of the training delivery location identified in the NAT000120 file is “VIC” or “OSPC” or

ii. the Delivery Mode Identifier in the NAT00120 file in the Student Statistical Report is “20” (electronic based) or “40” (Other).

c) By an RPL adjustment whereby the relevant ‘RPL Subsidy’ will be reduced by the Department for Eligible Individuals assessed through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) for units in courses, by multiplying the ‘RPL Subsidy’ for the course by the ‘RPL Adjustment’ (as identified on the Funded Courses Report). Payment of Contact Hour Funds for RPL is subject to the RTO being approved by the Department to be funded for RPL delivery under the RPL Approved Provider List.

12.7 For the avoidance of doubt, the adjustments outlined in Clause 12.6 (a), (b) and (c), will be used as multipliers of the relevant ‘Subsidy’ or ‘RPL Subsidy’ in determining the Contact Hour Funds paid for an Eligible Individual.