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Training Package Version Guide

Training Package	Version @ 1/7/14
CPP07 Property Services Training Package	Version 14.1
FNS10 Financial Services Training Package	Version 5.1
BSB07 Business Services Training Package	Version 9.0

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Finance Network Meeting

FAPSTC is hosting a Finance Network Meeting at our offices on Tuesday July 29 at 10am. The meeting will focus on the current FNS Continuous Development Project, with information presented by our guest speaker, Demmi Paris, from IBSA. Time will be made available for questions and networking, with light refreshments provided.

Please contact Project Officer, Alison Sweet on 9445 9000 or alison.sweet@fapstc.org.au before July 12th for more information, to confirm your attendance or obtain a copy of the agenda. If there is sufficient interest from our regional network we will look to offer a webinar as well.

CPSISC Loud and Clear Project



CPSISC's Loud and Clear Project is a strategic response to communication issues in the security industry. Work is underway to identify critical skills that security workers need to communicate in their jobs and to build a strategy to help support the development of those skills.

Two further forums – one for security employers and one for security providers – are being held in Perth (3 July) to identify activities that will help implement the strategic approach.

For more information and to keep up-to-date on the project, visit CPSISC's Project Page [here](#).

Training Providers' Forum 2014

FAPSTC was one of a number of organisations that participated in the Department of Training and Workforce Development's Training Providers' Forum on 19 and 20 May at the Crown Perth.

Exhibitors included all Training Councils, State and Private training providers, Industry Skills Council's.

Dr Ruth Shean welcomed all attendees and the opening address was delivered by the Hon Minister for Training and Workforce Development, Dr Kim Hames. A number of keynote addresses were held in the mornings and a variety of workshops were conducted in the afternoons.



Workplace Essentials Attraction and Retention publication

The Department of Training and Workforce Development and their project partners have published the fourth in a series of workforce planning and development brochures tailored towards small to medium businesses. The fourth brochure is titled Attracting and Recruiting the People You Need.

The fourth brochure highlights strategies employers can use to attract the right people to work for their business. It discusses five factors which employers can influence to make their business more attractive to new recruits:

- a positive business reputation;
- training and development opportunities;
- flexible working arrangements;
- a competitive salary and benefits; and
- a positive workplace culture.



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All four brochures are available from - www.workplace-essentials.dtwd.wa.gov.au.

A good practice guide on WA school-based traineeships

A Good Practice Guide has been developed for all stakeholders involved in school-based apprenticeships and traineeships including students, employers, Group Training Organisations (GTOs), Registered Training Organisations (RTOs), schools, and parents.

The guide demonstrates the roles played by each of these stakeholders and highlights the features of good practice, in particular those aspects that have a positive impact on the effective delivery and beneficial outcomes of school-based apprenticeships and traineeships. A copy of the guide is available on the DTWD website.

ASQA to automatically update a training provider's scope

Commencing 1 July 2014, the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) will automatically update a training provider's domestic scope to include any new, equivalent version of a training product (qualifications and units of competency) they are already registered to deliver.



This process applies to all ASQA Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) with a training package product listed on their scope that an Industry Skills Council has superseded with a new training product that it has deemed equivalent. On 1 July 2014, ASQA will update all training products on an RTO's scope that are in transition, having been superseded by a new equivalent product in the last 12 months. There will be no application required or fee payable.

From 1 July 2014, ASQA will apply this process for all future training package updates. Those providers that do not wish to have the new, equivalent product on scope can choose to opt-out through a simple application process. There is no fee for this.

Independent Review Report of the VET Sector

In October 2013, the Minister for Training and Workforce Development initiated the Independent Review of the Vocational Education and Training (VET) Sector in Western Australia to provide advice on:

- a model for the most appropriate level of autonomy for metropolitan and regional State Training Providers;
- strategies to support the growth of regional State Training Providers in a more open market; and
- a framework for streamlined information flows from industry and the VET sector to the Minister.

The Review's final report has been provided to the Minister and is now released for public comment. Please provide your comments and feedback by close of business Friday, 11 July 2014 to: ministerial.review@dtwd.wa.gov.au

Unique Student Identifiers (USI)

Passage of the Student Identifiers Act 2014 through the Senate confirms the 1 January 2015 start date for the Unique Student Identifier (USI) scheme.



Once the Act receives Royal Assent, the Minister for Industry, in consultation with the Ministerial Council, will move quickly to appoint a Registrar to oversee the implementation and ongoing management of the USI scheme.

The Department of Industry will work with training providers and key stakeholders over the coming months to assist with preparation for implementation.

For more information please visit <http://www.industry.gov.au/skills/RegulationReformsAndInitiatives/UniqueStudentIdentifierForVET/Pages/default.aspx>.

Group Training Organisations

Are you interested in having a trainee at your workplace but aren't ready to assume all the responsibilities of a regular employer? Group Training Organisations (GTO's) may be the answer.

Group Training Organisations:

- employ apprentices and trainees and place them with host employers
- are responsible for meeting the obligations of the employer as outlined in the apprenticeship/traineeship training contract and managing and monitoring arrangements with host employers; and
- employ apprentices and trainees and place them with host employers.

Visit <http://www.grouptraining.com.au/> or contact the FAPS Training Council for more information.

State Training Board visit to the Mid-West(Geraldton)

The State Training Board's visit to Geraldton on the 19th June included an industry and community forum, a State Training Board meeting, a visit to the Mid-West Aboriginal Workforce Development Centre, and a visit to the Batavia Coast Maritime Institute.



FAPSTC & IBSA Partnership

FAPSTC and Innovation & Business Skills Australia (IBSA) have joined forces to distribute the extensive range of workbooks, facilitation and assessment guides, as well as eLearning resources for the "Business Services", "Financial Services", and "VET Education" sectors.

FAPSTC will have access to the whole range of learning and assessment materials including access to eLearning materials for use by practitioners in delivering quality training. The FAPSTC branded packages will be more cost effective for providers and come with face to face assistance. *These special prices cannot be accessed through the ISBA website for online purchases.*



Regular forums will be planned to showcase these quality resources, and interested parties can contact FAPSTC Project Consultant Greg Bridge directly on 0466 852 408.

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Career Self-Assessment System

The perfect tool for school students seeking suitable career information.

Find the career that suits YOU!

Use our self assessment system

- Tell us how you see yourself
- 100's of job options across a range of industries
- Let us point you in the right direction

Let's get started

