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AVETMISS reporting

Reporting reminders

Annual 2020 activity

Now is a good time for RTOs to start preparing for their submission of 2020 data. The submission window for annual fee-for-service activity reported directly to NCVER will be open from 2 January to 26 February 2021.

Failure to submit data by the due date may result in follow up from the VET regulator(s).

If you report your data via a state training authority, please check their submission dates with them as these may be earlier.

Data needs to be reported accurately as at 31 December 2020. RTOs need to ensure that:

- students are reported with an Outcome identifier national of '85 - Not yet started' if they have not started training towards the subject
- students are reported with an Outcome identifier national of '70 - Continuing activity' if they have started but will not be fully assessed by the end of 2020.

Tip: a number of RTOs are caught out by updating their training activity eg student outcomes in January-February prior to submitting their previous year's data. This results in having to change all the outcomes back in the student management system to reflect the outcomes as they would have been at 31 December of the preceding year and re-entering the final outcomes input in the January of February.

Reminder - quarter 3

For those who submit fee-for-service data directly to NCVER, the third quarterly collection window for 2020, covering the period of July to September 2020, will be open from 1–13 November 2020. (If you submit your data to a state training authority the dates may be earlier than this). Remember submitted activity must be cumulative ie Jan-Sep 2020 to avoid USI transcript errors.

For more information on quarterly reporting, please see our fact sheet.

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AVETMISS support

Our Client Support team is available to help you between 8.45am and 5pm (Adelaide). The team can be contacted in a number of ways:

submit: contact form

email: support@ncver.edu.au

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USI transcript updates

USI transcripts are drawn from the data submitted to the national VET collections. A client's transcript will be updated within 3 days of NCVER receiving a submission, either directly or via a State Training Authority. If data is submitted to the annual collection, then USI transcripts will only be updated once a year. RTOs submitting data directly to NCVER can submit quarterly, if they wish, to ensure USI transcripts are updated more frequently.

Corrections to USI transcripts can be made for data submitted prior to the current year using the <u>USI</u> <u>Transcript Update Tool</u> within AVS.

RTOs <u>cannot</u> update/add training activity on the USI for the current collection year. Updates for the current year must be made via submission to the annual or quarterly collection window process.

You can, however, delete any incorrect training activity for the current year via the USI transcript update tool, but must submit the corrected data in your next submission to NCVER or to the relevant State Training Authority.

NoFrills2020 ONLINE

A big welcome and thanks to those of you who helped make our very first *virtual* 'No Frills' conference on 7-10 July such a success. We attracted a record number of attendees and feedback has been very positive.

The theme *Workforce ready: challenges and opportunities for VET* encouraged us to explore what 'workforce ready' means for VET, especially in light of the substantial job losses caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

For a summary of the key issues:

- Download the conference discussion paper
- Access presentations from VOCEDplus
- View recordings of the keynote presentations
- Listen to highlights from two panel discussions in the <u>podcast</u>

Student Outcomes Survey interviews are complete!

The National Student Outcomes Survey, which is Australia's largest survey of vocational education and training (VET) students, has now finished collecting information from students on their satisfaction with their training and their post-training outcomes. Students were contacted from mid-June till early September this year.

The results of the survey will be released on the NCVER portal.

We would like to thank all the RTOs who helped promote the survey in 2020.

Those RTOS eligible for an individual report should receive this report in early 2021 from NCVER. The report will compare the experiences, satisfaction and outcomes of their students with students nationally.