

Australian Government

Department of Employment and Workplace Relations

National TAFE Network

Fostering collaboration among TAFE teachers and administrators and enhancing teaching and learning

What is the National TAFE Network?

Through the National Skills Agreement, the Australian Government will partner with states and territories to design, establish and operate a National TAFE Network which will foster collaboration between the teachers and administrators of TAFEs and public training providers to develop curriculum resources, improve the quality of teaching and learning practice, and enhance the status of TAFE. The Network will share innovation and best practice from TAFE Centres of Excellence with the broader TAFE network.

What are the benefits?

The National TAFE Network will:

- support the TAFE workforce and education practice through communities of practice
- develop curriculum and course materials and share these among TAFEs and public training providers
- pilot new or innovative approaches in teaching and learning practices
- provide a mechanism for Jobs and Skills Councils, TAFE Centres of Excellence and others to engage with TAFEs and public training providers.

What does it mean for the VET system?

The National TAFE Network aims to improve the quality of teaching and learning practice in TAFEs as enduring institutions with a public interest mandate.

How much funding has been allocated?

The Australian Government is investing up to \$155 million over five years in the National TAFE Network. Commonwealth financial contributions to states and territories will be matched by the relevant state or territory.

What are the next steps?

All governments have committed to working with TAFE stakeholders to develop the initiative. The Australian Government will work with states and territories to agree to implementation arrangements to deliver the initiative.