Department of Education and Training

Higher Education and Skills Group

Participation, Inclusion and Regional Engagement — Branch Memo

**TO:** RegisteredLearn Local providers

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**SUBJECT: New professional development opportunity: *Moving pre-accredited programs online***

Actions

* Learn Local pre-accredited educators with no online delivery experience can register for professional development in *Moving pre-accredited programs online* beginning mid-May [here](https://www.ivvy.com.au/event/R21036/)

Online teaching and learning is forecast to become embedded as an aspect of post-secondary education beyond the Covid-19 pandemic. To ensure all Learn Local providers can consider this option, a new professional development program has been developed by the VET Development Centre on behalf of the ACFE Board called *Moving pre-accredited programs online*.

The program will provide step-by- step instruction on how to implement a selected pre-accredited program in blended or online format.

Topics covered will include:

* Selecting online learning infrastructure at little or no cost
* Building online teaching and learning resources for pre-accredited training
* Effective online teaching practice.

Participants will need to commit a total of about 20 hours over 13 weeks from mid-May to mid-August 2021 to complete the program.

Each participant will be involved in

* 3 x 45-60 minute webinars
* 5 x 3 hour workshops, face-to-face or online
* 2 non-structured peer review and drop-in sessions, self-paced.

There will be online facilitator support between sessions.

Participants who complete the program will be prepared to deliver a selected pre-accredited program in blended or online format, and eligible for mentoring assistance to do so the first time.

Places are available for up to 100 participants who will be assigned to one of four groups. The group you are in will be determined by where you choose to do the workshop component (Wangaratta, Bendigo, Cranbourne or Geelong) if you choose the face to face option. People choosing to participate online for all activities will be assigned to a group so that the groups are of similar size.

Learn Local educators new to blended or online learning can register now in the 13 week *Moving pre-accredited programs online* professional development program [here](https://www.ivvy.com.au/event/R21036/).