

REAL News

Newsletter for Careerforce Registered Assessors

October 2017



Welcome to the October 2017 issue of REAL News. In this issue we introduce the new Moderation and Assessment Practices Team. We also highlight some important MyPath changes that will impact Assessors. New Health and Wellbeing Level 3 learning and assessment modules are being developed and will be available on MyPath before the end of 2017 - watch this space! We'd also like to share with you some new research that highlights success strategies for pacific learners which you may find valuable.

Meet Our New Team

There have been a few changes at Careerforce since the last issue of REAL News. The Support Services Team and the Moderation Team have joined together to form the new **Moderation and Assessment Practices Team**. This new team includes:

Rick Sloman - Manager Moderation and Assessment Practice

Heather Reeves-Timms - National Moderator

Wiremu Bayliss - National Moderator

Damon Harrison - National Moderator

Ifi Ripley – Learning and Engagement Advisor North

Fiona Wallace – Learning and Engagement Advisor Central

Nicole Curtis – Learning and Engagement Advisor South

Karen Thornley – Assessor Administrator

Rick Woodward – Support Services Coordinator

Sadly, Joel Rewa-Morgan, Manager Support Services, has moved on from Careerforce and we wish him the best in his future endeavours.

The Moderation and Assessment Practices Team appreciates all the support and guidance you give to your Trainees. If we can help or support you further, please remember we are only ever a phone call or email away.

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Email: assessor-admin@careerforce.org.nz

Important Changes for Assessors on MyPath

Marking Practical Assessments

There is a change to the way practical assessments are marked. Where a trainee did not pass, assessors must now mark a trainee with 0 (zero) marks, instead of leaving the mark field blank. Please read the update guidance document, *"How to mark a practical assessment in MyPath"*.

New Assessor Dashboard

We've upgraded the assessor dashboard. Read *"Find your way around the dashboard"* for a quick orientation. This upgrade will make finding and marking assessments much easier. A list of assessments "to be marked" is now available directly from the assessor dashboard. For guidance read *"Jump to what needs to be marked"*.

New supporting resources

To explain all the new features, we've update the MyPath guides and quick reference documents. You'll find these, in the usual places, when you next login to MyPath.

More choice for trainees enrolled in Level 3 MyPath Programmes

New Health and Wellbeing Level 3 learning and assessment modules will be available on MyPath before the end of 2017. This means more choice for trainees enrolled in MyPath programmes leading to the Health Assistance/Support Work strands of the Health and Wellbeing Level 3 qualification. There will be more opportunities for them to train at their own pace, anywhere and at anytime. Further details will be shared as modules are launched over the next few months. Watch this space!

If you require more information in the meantime, please do not hesitate to [contact us](#) or [Log in to MyPath](#).

New Research Highlights Success Strategies for Pacific Learners

A little help from their friends, a supportive employer and family environment and a great relationship with their training facilitator goes a long way to ensuring successful learning outcomes for Pacific trainees.

These are some of the key findings from a new research report, Pacific Learner Success in Workplace Settings, a collaboration between industry training organisations Careerforce, ServiceIQ, Competenz and Skills and funded by Ako Aotearoa, the National Centre for Tertiary Teaching Excellence.



The report also showed that Pacific learners engaged in workplace training have the best chance of success when they are part of a supportive team learning environment, such as small study groups where they can discuss assessments and share experiences in their own languages. “As we know, industry training and learning in general is never a one-size-fits-all approach, so the report recommends training facilitators contextualise and tailor learning based on the understanding and strengths of the specific learning group,” says Ifi Ripley, Careerforce’s Learning Engagement Advisor, who helped lead the ITO’s two-year research programme.

For more information or to view the full report please see: <https://ako.aotearoa.ac.nz/pacific-learner-success-in-workplace-settings>

REAL Assessor training workshops - November 2017

For those who haven't attended a workshop, please look at the schedule below. These workshops will help you build on your knowledge and skills in assessment. It will help you use the Careerforce REAL model for respectful, efficient, applied and living training and assessment. **Observers are very welcome to attend these workshops as well.** More information about REAL Observers can be found [here](#).



What past attendees have said

“Thinking about our workplace evidence in this way is a light bulb moment for us.”

"I feel inspired to go back to work and try out this approach"

Location	Date	Venue
Wellington	14 Nov	Careerforce, Wellington
Timaru	14 Nov	Comfort Hotel Benvenue
Christchurch	15 Nov	Careerforce, Christchurch

Auckland

16 Nov

Pacific Homecare

Dunedin

21 Nov

Edgar Centre

To see an overview of the workshops plus details on how to register via the website, please click the link below:

[VIEW ALL ASSESSOR TRAINING WORKSHOPS](#)

PEER moderation workshops - November 2017

We invite you to attend a Careerforce Peer Moderation workshop near you. See below for details.

Location	Date	Venue
Mt Maunganui	7 Nov (afternoon)	TBA
Stratford	9 Nov (afternoon)	Stratford District Council
New Plymouth	10 Nov (afternoon)	Brougham Height Motel

To see an overview of the workshops and details on how to register via the website, please click the link below:

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Assessor Newsletters

These Assessor Newsletters are sent to all registered assessors and are now archived on the Careerforce website. Archive copies can be downloaded [here](#). If you are a new Careerforce Assessor you may want to check them out!



Thank you

As always, we do appreciate all the support and guidance you give to your trainees. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us. Please also use this email address to request Assessor Guides.

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