

# **National VET Data Policy**

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## Part B – National VET Provider Collection Data Requirements Policy

4.1 Part B – National VET Provider Collection Data Requirements Policy sets out the requirements imposed on RTOs in relation to obtaining and submitting data for the National VET Provider Collection.

### Schedule 1

7.1 Where personal information is collected from a student, RTOs must make students aware of the purposes for which their information may be collected, used or disclosed. RTOs must give the student a copy of the Privacy Notice at Schedule 1 of this Policy.

## **Privacy Notice**

This Privacy Notice is to be given to students in addition to the RTO's standard Privacy Notice that includes any requirements under their state or territory laws, etc.

The content of this Privacy Notice is also included in the Student Enrolment Privacy Notice section in the Victorian Chamber's Enrolment Form.

### Why we collect your personal information

As a registered training organisation (RTO), we collect your personal information so we can process and manage your enrolment in a vocational education and training (VET) course with us. If your personal information is not provided to us, we will not be able to enrol you as a student and provide our services to you.

## How we use your personal information

We use your personal information to enable us to deliver VET courses to you, and otherwise, as needed, to comply with our obligations as an RTO.

#### How we disclose your personal information

We are required by law (under the National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011 (Cth) (NVETR Act)) to disclose the personal information we collect about you to the National VET Data Collection kept by the National Centre for Vocational Education Research Ltd (NCVER). The NCVER is responsible for collecting, managing, analysing and communicating research and statistics about the Australian VET sector.

We are also authorised by law (under the NVETR Act) to disclose your personal information to the relevant state or territory training authority.

## How the NCVER and other bodies handle your personal information

The NCVER will collect, hold, use and disclose your personal information in accordance with the law, including the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) (Privacy Act) and the NVETR Act. Your personal information may be used and disclosed by NCVER for purposes that include populating authenticated VET transcripts; administration of VET; facilitation of statistics and research relating to education, including surveys and data linkage; and understanding the VET market.

The NCVER is authorised to disclose information to the Australian Government Department of Education, Skills and Employment (DESE), Commonwealth authorities, State and Territory authorities (other than registered



training organisations) that deal with matters relating to VET and VET regulators for the purposes of those bodies, including to enable:

- administration of VET, including program administration, regulation, monitoring and evaluation
- facilitation of statistics and research relating to education, including surveys and data linkage
- understanding how the VET market operates, for policy, workforce planning and consumer information.

The NCVER may also disclose personal information to persons engaged by NCVER to conduct research on NCVER's behalf. The NCVER does not intend to disclose your personal information to any overseas recipients.

For more information about how the NCVER will handle your personal information please refer to the NCVER's Privacy Policy at <a href="https://www.ncver.edu.au/privacy">www.ncver.edu.au/privacy</a>.

If you would like to seek access to or correct your information, in the first instance, please contact Victorian Chamber using the contact details listed below.

DESE is authorised by law, including the Privacy Act and the NVETR Act, to collect, use and disclose your personal information to fulfil specified functions and activities. For more information about how the DESE will handle your personal information, please refer to the DESE VET Privacy Notice at <a href="https://www.dese.gov.au/national-vet-data/vet-privacy-notice">https://www.dese.gov.au/national-vet-data/vet-privacy-notice</a>.

The Department of Education and Training in Victoria (the Department) uses student and training data, including personal information, for a range of VET purposes including administration, monitoring and planning, including interaction between the Department and student, where appropriate.

As necessary and where lawful, the Department may disclose VET data, including personal information, to its contractors, other government agencies, professional bodies and/or other organisations for VET-related purposes. In particular, this includes disclosure of VET student and training data to the Commonwealth and the NCVER.

The Department's collection and handling of enrolment data and Victorian Student Numbers is authorised under the Education and Training Reform Act 2006 (Vic). The Department is also authorised to collect and handle USIs in accordance with the Student Identifiers Act 2014 (Cth) and the Student Identifiers Regulation 2014 (Cth).

#### Surveys

You may receive a student survey which may be run by a government department or an NCVER employee, agent, third-party contractor or another authorised agency. Please note you may opt out of the survey <u>at the time of being contacted.</u>

#### Contact information

At any time, you may contact the Victorian Chamber to:

- request access to your personal information
- correct your personal information
- make a complaint about how your personal information has been handled
- ask a question about this Privacy Notice

Contact: Victorian Chamber, Executive Manager Training Health Safety and Wellbeing, Belinda Tierney at (03)8662 5345 or email <a href="mailto:btierney@victorianchamber.com.au">btierney@victorianchamber.com.au</a>

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