# Department of Education and Training

# Higher Education and Skills Group

# PIRE Branch Memo: *2018 / August / 27*

**TO: Learn Local organisations - *ALL***

 **ACFE Board**

 **Adult Education Institutions**

 **PIRE Branch Staff**

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**DATE:** 27 August 2018

**SUBJECT: Professional Development Program on Family Violence for the VET workforce**

## Actions / Critical Dates:

* *Workshop 1: Identifying Family Violence and Risk Assessment, 9 or 24 October 2018*
* *Workshop 2: Responding to disclosure in the adult learning environment, 16 or 30 October 2018*

## Professional Development opportunities through the VET Development Centre

1. The Department of Education and Training supports professional development initiatives for vocational educational and training (VET) practitioners as part of its commitment to quality training outcomes for the Victorian vocational training system.
2. The VET Development Centre (VDC) and The Domestic Violence Resource Centre Victoria (DVRCV) have collaboratively developed two workshops to build the capacity of trainers in responding to issues relating to family violence in a classroom setting.

## Workshop 1: Identifying Family Violence & Risk Assessment

This full day workshop is an introductory session for the VET workforce with no specific family

violence work experience. The session will cover the effects of family violence on adults and

children, and provide an overview of legal responses, resources and referrals. The program will

also explore ways of asking about violence and responding to disclosures.

## Workshop 2: Responding to Disclosure in the Adult learning environment

This half day workshop will focus on educating VET practitioners on how to appropriately manage

a learning environment and support learners who might be experiencing family violence.

## How to register

[Click here to register online](https://www.ivvy.com.au/event/W18073/) OR see attached flyer for details.

Alternatively, contact the VDC directly, to register manually:

**VET Development Centre**

Phone: 1300 917 150 or email info@vdc.com.au