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# Higher Education and Skills Group

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**SUBJECT: Victorian winners at the Australian Training Awards**

## Victorian winners at the Australian Training Awards

Congratulations to team Victoria for their success at the Australian Training Awards held in Sydney last Thursday, 15 December.

Victoria took the top prize in the following categories:

**National Achievement Award:** Jennie Barrera, Wyndham Community and Education Centre

**Australian Apprenticeships — Employer Award:** Siemens Ltd.

**Large Employer of the Year:** PACCAR Australia

**International Training Provider of the Year:** Box Hill Institute Group

**Large Training Provider of the Year:** Wodonga Institute of TAFE

We’d like to give particular recognition to Jennie Barrera who has a long history in establishing education and training pathways into real jobs, and supporting the most vulnerable members of the community.

Jennie has long been recognised as an innovative leader among the adult community and further education sector, with her programs setting a quality benchmark for others to replicate across the state. It’s fantastic to see her contributions recognised at a national level.

A big congratulations also to our two Victorian finalists in other individual categories:

**Australian Apprentice (Trainee) of the Year Award, runner-up:** Amanda Woodhams

**Australian Apprentice of the Year Award, runner-up:** Alyssa Heard.