# Department of Education and Training

# Higher Education and Skills Group

# Participation Branch Memo: *2018 / April / 10*

**TO:**

 **Learn Local organisations - *ALL***

 **ACFE Board**

 **ACFE Regional Councils**

 **Adult Education Institutions**

 **Learn Local Stakeholders**

 **Participation Branch Staff**

**FROM:** Ryan CollinsDirector - Participation Branch

**DATE:** 10 April2018

**SUBJECT: Registration Open for Asylum Seeker Vocational Education and Training (VET) State Conference**

## Actions / Critical Dates:

* *Register now for the free Asylum Seeker Vocational Education and Training (VET) State Conference on Tuesday May 29th 2018 at Darebin Arts and Entertainment Centre, Corner Bell St & St Georges Rd, Preston, 9.00am -4.30pm at* [Asylum Seeker VET State Conference](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/celebrate-the-journey-tickets-44828167255)*.*

## Important Notice about Communications

The Asylum Seeker VET program has been running for two years comprising asylum seeker participation in Skills First VET courses, with referral and RTO support provided by the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre (ASRC), and Asylum Seeker participation in basic Language and Literacy and VET Learning Plan Programs run by Learn Locals.

Join us at the Asylum Seeker VET State Conference to hear the inspiring stories of the journeys people seeking asylum and refugees have taken, going from surviving to thriving through VET and beyond.

The Asylum Seeker VET State Conference will have keynote speakers who will share their journey from surviving to thriving through VET and beyond, and panel presentations and workshops to enable participants to share the lessons learned along this significant journey and celebrate the many achievements.

Guest Speakers will be The Hon. Gayle Tierney MLC – Minister for Training and Skills and Minister for Corrections and Mr Kon Karapanagiotidis - ASRC CEO.

Asylum Seeker VET Conference places are limited and are expected to book out quickly. Be sure to register now to avoid missing out at [Asylum Seeker VET State Conference](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/celebrate-the-journey-tickets-44828167255)