

REFERENCE GROUPS

The NDIS Training and Skills Support Strategy (NTSSS) is a unique approach to workforce and skills development established by WorkAbility Queensland in partnership with the Department of Employment, Small Business and Training.

The NTSSS aims to address the following workforce objectives:

- development of a systemic regional vocational education and training (VET) support system that will promote suitable and high-quality training delivery
- ongoing capability for non-government organisations to work productively and effectively with registered training organisations (RTOs)
- skills and training aligning with NDIS principles
- governance that focuses on industry decision making
- optimum use of programs under the Annual VET Investment Plan (the Plan).

To achieve these objectives, three key priority areas for NTSSS projects have been established:

- upskilling the workforce to transition to the new NDIS framework – through training and professional development activities
- growing the NDIS workforce – with recruitment based on the values and attributes of the individual, and reflective of the diversity of NDIS participants
- improving VET quality – with consideration of both workplace learning, skills requirements, and NDIS core principles.

Reference Groups are pivotal in ensuring success of the NTSSS. Two state reference groups will be established 1. Industry Reference Group and 2. RTO Reference Group. The proposed membership of the two state reference groups will comprise of people from RTO's, Industry and other people with particular interest, knowledge and expertise in the disability and VET sector. The Role of the Reference Groups are to:

- inform the development of the overall project
- provide advice to inform the development and/or finalisation of project deliverables
- identify opportunities that can be utilised to strengthen the project and gain buy in from the NDIS sector
- assist in leveraging resources, networks and opportunities that will enhance the project
- bring forward relevant intelligence and promote understanding
- positively promote the project to others associated with the introduction and delivery of the NDIS.

Reference Group meetings will occur bi-monthly initially and then three meetings per year.

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