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Memo

To:

All CATHSSETA Training Providers

From:

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Date:

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Subject:

System Migration from current SMS to the new Indicium system – ETQA Module

1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to inform all CATHSSETA training providers of the system changes that will take place from the current SETA management System to the new Indicium system. Furthermore we wish to inform you of the system developments from the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET).

1.1 Background

1.1.1 Indicium

The Indicium system is an updated version of the current SETA Management System (SMS). It is integrating all CATHSSETA systems into one central point. The difference between the two systems will be the user interface i.e. the look and feel of the system. The system is compatible with most browser applications e.g. Google chrome, Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox, Apple safari etc. as opposed to the current system that is only compatible with Internet Explorer.

A system pilot session will be scheduled with a few training providers. The aim of this exercise is to ensure that relevant information and operation is not compromised by the implementation.

1.1.2 Skills Education and Training Management Information System (SETMIS)

The Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) is improving the current SETA Quarterly Monitoring Report format through an automated system which uses unit record,

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batch file data collection process which will feed data from the SETA's into the Skills Education and Training Management Information System (SETMIS).

The quarterly monitoring report format needs some improvement's because the format of the data that is collected limits the Departments ability to:

- · validate the integrity of the data,
- · implement the data in a relational form, and
- integrate the data.

The overall objective of SETMIS, is to create a credible, integrated and unified view of the skills supply side in the country to improve skills planning to meet the needs of an inclusive growth path for the country.

2. Implications to Training Providers

2.1 Indicium System

There will be no need to amend compatibility view settings because the system is compatible with most browser applications. The system will have added compulsory fields that are compatible to SETMIS. There will be a period wherein the current system closes in order to enable data migration. We are in the process of exploring an alternative so that learners can still be uploaded on the system during data migration.

2.2 Skills Education and Training Management Information System (SETMIS)

There will be no direct implications to training providers because the system will automatically import the data into the DHET system. There are compulsory fields that are required and will be included in the Indicium system e.g. last school attended.

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3 Training of Training providers

A training manual will be provided to all training providers once validated. The office will be available for support.

4. Implementation of the Indicium System

A project plan will be sent in due course indicating the data migration dates as well as the go live date.

We trust that you will continue to support the CATHSSETA on this new development.

Yours Sincerely,

Ms Dimpho Phungwayo

ETQA Manager