

ACL update no 20

Dear All,

With schools and colleges returning from their summer break there has been a lot of new guidance from the DfE, we have provided a link to the latest information below. In addition, we have attached the first set of dates and course for our CPD programme.

If you come across anything that you think would benefit other providers do please let me know and I will add it to the weekly updates. Please do share what you think is relevant to your contacts.

Please do contact us if you need anything else.

Keep safe and well

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SAR reminder – today is the deadline (4th Sept)

Latest guidance from DfE

Please see the updated guidance that has just been published by DfE. This guidance covers adult education as well as colleges.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-further-education-provision>

The Kickstart Scheme

The Kickstart Scheme is a £2 billion fund to create hundreds of thousands of high quality 6-month work placements for young people aged 16-24, who are claiming Universal Credit. Employers of all sizes looking to create quality jobs for young people can apply. Through the scheme, all organisations across the private, public and voluntary sectors will be able to access a large pool of young people with potential, ready for an opportunity.

The Government will fully fund each 'Kickstart' job – paying 100% of the relevant National Minimum Wage for 25 hours a week, plus the associated employer National Insurance contributions and employer minimum automatic enrolment contributions.

The DWP has produced A Guide for Employers and there is a page for young people on the job help website.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/check-if-you-can-apply-for-a-grant-through-the-kickstart-scheme>

Key details:

- Job scheme and employers can claim wages
- On top of the wage subsidy, £1,500 per job placement available for setup costs, support and training.
- Employer applications are for minimum 30 job placements. Employers can partner with other orgs to reach the minimum number.
- If an employer organisation is creating fewer than 30 Kickstart job placements, they must partner with others which could include:
 - similar employers
 - local authorities
 - trade bodies
 - registered charities

Action:

There will also be funding available to support young people to develop new skills and to help them move into sustained employment after they have completed their Kickstart Scheme funded job therefore you may wish to work with your Job centre plus and the employers who going to use the scheme to see if you can supply the training.

VLE for New Staff members

Please contact Kevin Rhodes if you need a VLE login for new members of your team (kevin.rhodes@hants.gov.uk).

If anyone if having difficulty with the VLE then Kevin R is the first point of contact

Actions for staying safe and productive:

- 1) As well as washing your hands regularly, invest in some really good hand cream!
- 2) Set a specific break times, ensuring you stretch and move around
- 3) Take time for a mindful walk – note the changing colours and sounds
- 4) Carry out a random act of kindness

HA CPD Programme

Our CPD programme for September and October is attached. Events will be booked using Eventbrite and held on Teams. Joining instructions will be sent to delegates direct, shortly before the event.

