



POLICY NAME	FEES, CHARGES AND REFUND POLICY FOR ACFE, VTG AND FEE FOR SERVICE TRAINING
RESPONSIBLE PERSON	MANAGER
STAFF INVOLVED	EDUCATION MANAGER, COORDINATORS, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATION STAFF,
REVIEW DATES	DECEMBER 2015
RELATED DOCUMENTS	<p><i>Records Management & Record Keeping Policy & Procedure</i> <i>Recognition of Qualifications Issued by Other RTOs Policy & Procedure</i> <i>Student Selection and Enrolment Policy and Procedure</i> <i>Fee Schedule (VTG Subsidised Training)</i></p> <p>Other VTG 2014 Guidelines about Fees, VRQA Guidelines for VET Providers, Essential Conditions & Standards for Continuing Registration 2014 Pre Accredited Purchasing Package & Guide V2,</p>

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is for Yarraville Community Centre to provide each individual with clear details of all fees, charges and its refund policy and procedures. This is to be done prior to, or at the time of enrolment.

POLICY

Yarraville Community Centre delivers Victorian Training Guarantee (VTG) subsidised courses, Adult Community and Further Education (ACFE) subsidised courses and courses that are not government subsidised, known as fee-for-service short courses. Eligibility for VTG and ACFE subsidised courses are determined prior to enrolment.

Yarraville complies with the 'Victorian Training Guarantee Guidelines about Fees', the 'VRQA Guidelines for VET Providers' (VRQA, 2009) and the 'Essential Conditions and Standards for Continuing Registration' (AQTF, 2010) and the Pre-Accredited Purchasing Package & Guide.'

PROCEDURE

This procedure outlines fees and charges for programs at Yarraville Community Centre.

1.1 Setting fees

Yarraville's Management team set tuition fees, materials and amenities fees and text book costs in November each year for the following year, and on a case by case basis, subject to Department guidelines and market conditions.

The Education Manager develops and distributes with approval from the Manager the Fee Schedule to Coordinators and Administrative staff. The fee schedule is placed on the Yarraville CC website.

Should there be any changes to Yarraville's fees at any time, the Education Manager is responsible for organizing changes to the Fee Schedule and for ensuring the schedule is updated on the website and all staff informed.

1.2 Eligibility for Government subsidized training

Students eligible for government subsidized training are:

An Australian citizen

Holder of a permanent visa

A New Zealand citizen

If there is any doubt on eligibility, the coordinators will check the eligibility clauses in the vet funding contract, guidelines on fees and any associated contract notifications

1.3 Applying fees

i) Prior to enrolment, the Pre Training Assessor supplies each individual with an itemized Statement of Fees being required for the course

ii) Credit transfer

A tuition fee is not charged for any Unit of Competency that is a credit transfer (see Recognition of Qualifications Issued by other RTOs Policy & Procedure).

iii) Financial hardship

In circumstances of financial hardship, individuals can request to be considered a fee waiver. Pre-Training Assessors ensure a Request for Fee Waiver form is completed by the individual and lodged with the Education Manager one working day following the pre training assessment. Requests are considered by the Education Manager on a case by case basis.

iv) VTG Tuition fee waivers/exemptions

Pre-Training Assessors sight and retain copies of all documentation demonstrating an individual's eligibility for the VTG Tuition fee waiver/exemption.

Yarraville CC does not charge a tuition fee for enrolment for an individual who is from the Judy Lazarus Transition Centre or a young person on a community based order.

All documentation demonstrating an individual's eligibility for the VTG Tuition fee waiver/exemption is retained in the student file.

1.4 Applying fee concessions

Concession fees general

At the PTA Interview, the Pre-Training Assessor copies of all documentation demonstrating an individual's eligibility for a fee concession for audit or review purposes, and to meet the requirements of Yarraville CC Record Management and Keeping Policy & Procedure.-Eligible concession cards:

- a. Health Care Card issued by the Commonwealth;
- b. Pensioner Concession Card; or
- c. Veteran's Gold Card; or
- d. an alternative card or concession eligibility criterion approved by the Minister for the purposes of these Guidelines

Before the completion of a course, if an individual who was previously eligible for a concession becomes ineligible for the concession, this does not affect the tuition fees payable for the enrolment.

1.5

Charging & Collecting Fees

The total student fees payable by an individual is recorded on the Enrolment Form by the Pre-Training Assessor. When charging fees, Yarraville CC adheres to the following principles

No more than \$1000 are charged for courses at YCC.

Qualifications and Statements of Attainment are not issued until all fees have been paid (see Certification Procedure for further information).

If an amenities fee or material fee is charged the details will be provided to the student before enrolment.

1.6 Refunds

If a student withdraws, from VTG subsidised training at any time up until 4 weeks after the scheduled commencement date of the course, Yarraville CC will refund the tuition fees paid. Where materials have been supplied for a course, and a student withdraws, no refund of the Services and Amenities fee will be given. No refund is available where a student withdraws from VTG subsidised training at any time after 4 weeks of the scheduled commencement date.

If a course is cancelled by Yarraville CC at any time during the period of a student's enrolment, then Yarraville CC will refund the tuition fees and service and amenities fees in full.

In the unlikely event that Yarraville CC ceased operation at any time during the period of a student's enrolment, then Yarraville CC will refund the tuition fees, and materials and amenities fees in full.

Fee For Service Short Courses Student Withdrawal

Refunds are only considered when a written request is received 10 days before your course begins. An administration fee of \$20 applies. No refunds are given once a course has commenced.