

CDAA Welcomes Recognition of High-Quality Career Advice in 2019 Federal Budget

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The Career Development Association of Australia (CDAA) welcomes the Federal Government's recognition of high-quality career advice in the 2019 budget.

If the Coalition Government is re-elected, they plan to improve career advice to young Australians and workers transitioning their careers and raise the profile of the VET sector.

To do this, they will establish a National Careers Institute and a National Careers Ambassador under the Delivering Skills for Today and Tomorrow package.

"We commend the Government for recognising the vital importance of high-quality career advice, particularly in the face of competing funding demands," CDAA National President Wanda Hayes said.

It appears the bulk of the funding for the Skills Package has been diverted from the previous Skilling Australia Fund.

"It is positive that the Government has recognised career development when deciding how best to utilise this residual funding," Ms Hayes said.

The Government's package comes in response to the expert review into Australia's VET sector led by the Hon Steven Joyce.

"CDAA looks forward to working with the Government if they are re-elected to implement these new initiatives in conjunction with the recently announced National Career Education Strategy for schools," Ms Hayes said.

"It is fantastic that the Government continues to take these steps in ensuring Australians receive quality career advice to equip them for the future of work."

The Career Development Association of Australia (CDAA) commenced as the Australian Association of Career Counsellors in 1989, and is Australia's largest cross-sectoral association of career development professionals working in a diverse range of roles, delivering services in industry, government, education, employment programs and community organisations. The primary purpose of the CDAA is to support its members by leading, building and growing the career development profession.

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