



2026 Participation Program Referral Agents Information

The Participation program funded by the Department of Training and Workforce Development focuses on the delivery of accredited training for groups of people who are under-represented in the workforce. Participation training aims to assist people to become job ready so they can participate fully in the workforce.

The Program is divided into two sub-programs:

- *Participation – Work Readiness* which provides training to unemployed people who are ready to work and seeking relevant skills and experience to access meaningful work; and
- *Participation – Equity* which provides assistance and training to unemployed people who have barriers accessing mainstream training to become job ready, so they can participate fully in the workforce. The eligible target groups under this sub-program are; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders; Youth at Risk; Culturally and Linguistically Diverse; and People with Disabilities.

The Participation program has a targeted approach to recruiting students from the eligible target groups by using input from organisations (“Referral Agents”) that have a case-based management role with one or more of the cohorts: such as Disability Services Commission; selected Job Actives; Jobs and Skills WA Centres; community based organisations offering support services including accommodation, welfare, alcohol and drug rehabilitation etc.

The following organisations are available to act as referral agents for the Participation Program. A referral, via email, from one of these agencies naming the student and target group is proof of eligibility for the cohort.

Examples of referrals are:

- *Marcel Longbottom is currently being assisted by this organisation, is eligible under the ‘youth at risk’ category and is interested in undertaking automotive training with your organisation; or*
- *The people listed below are currently in receipt of services from this organisation, are eligible under the ‘Culturally and Linguistically Diverse’ category and are interested in undertaking retail training with your organisation.*

Note: Participation referral agents are requested to make decisions about which RTOs they think most meet the needs of their clients.

Participation referral agents may only refer their existing clients.



Participation Program Referral Agent	Contact Details	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islands	Culturally and Linguistically Diverse	People with Disabilities	Youth at Risk	Job Seekers
Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Service	Mr Sam Mesiti, Project Officer, 211 Royal Street East Perth WA 6004 E: smesiti@aads.org.au T: (08) 9221 1411	Yes		Yes		
Accord West	For Training Providers Kris Robertson E: kris.robertson@accordwest.com.au T: (08) 9729 9000 For Students Julie Smith or Lyn Mills E: info@accordwest.com.au T: 1800 155 799	Yes				Yes
Adachi Disability Services	Chantel Hunt, Training Manager E: iclientadvocate@adachi.com.au T: 1800 155 799	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Atwork Australia Pty Ltd	E: contact@atworkaustralia.com.au T: (08) 9393 1400 (Armadale Branch) (08) 9400 0000 (Clarkson Branch) (08) 9394 9600 (Gosnells Branch) (08) 6444 6789 (Herdsman Branch) (08) 9400 0000 (Joondalup Branch) (08) 6271 2000 (Midland Branch) (08) 9349 8599 (Mirrabooka Branch) (08) 9500 7700 (Rockingham Branch) (08) 9494 1799 (Spearwood Branch) (08) 6160 6570 (Victoria Park Branch) (08) 9206 0633 (Wanneroo Branch) (08) 6282 2222 (West Leederville)	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes



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Calvary Youth Services	Lisa Dunne; E: coordinator@calvaryyouth.com.au	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Communicare Academy	For Training Providers Rebecca Morse, Head of Student Support and Compliance E: rmorse@communicare.wa.edu.au T: (08) 6350 1872 For Students Rikeesha Ziedas, Admin & Enrolment Officer E: rziedas@communicare.wa.edu.au T: (08) 6350 1872					
Create Employment	Florinda Rodi E: florinda.rodii@tccp.com.au T: (08) 9249 3132	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Department of Communities - Child Protection and Family Support	E: EducationBrokers@communities.wa.gov.au	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Department of Education - GOLDFIELDS EDUCATION REGION	Site Location: Esperance SHS Les Crawley, Engagement and Transitions Manager E: Leslie.Crawley@education.wa.edu.au T: (08) 9071 9606/0429 564 930 Site Location: Eastern Goldfields College Emma Rea, Engagement and Transitions Manager E: Emma.rea3@education.wa.edu.au T: (08) 9092 3190/0408 910 756				Yes	



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Department of Education - KIMBERLEY EDUCATION REGION	Site Location: Broome SHS Carmen Kenworthy, Engagement and Transitions Manager E: Carmen.Puertollano@education.wa.edu.au T: (08) 9192 0800 / 0428 051 924				Yes	
Department of Education - MIDWEST EDUCATION REGION	Site Location: Mid-West ERO Alana Carson, Engagement and Transitions Manager E: alana.carson@education.wa.edu.au T: (08) 9956 1609/ 0476 896 530 Jane Swift, Engagement and Transitions Manager E: Jane.Swift@education.wa.edu.au T: (08)9956 1634/ 0476 896 530				Yes	
Department of Education - NORTH METROPOLITAN EDUCATION REGION	Site Location: Tuart College (NMERO) Bruce Sherborne, Engagement and Transitions Manager E: bruce.sherborne@education.wa.edu.au T: 0417 953 517 Jack Watt, Engagement and Transitions Manager (0.5) E: jack.watt@education.edu.gov.au T: (08) 9285 3624/0488 120 115 Carrolynn Kyme-Hobson, Engagement and Transitions Manager (0.5) E: Carrolynn.Hobson@education.wa.edu.au T: (08) 9285 3640/0410 459 118				Yes	



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Department of Education - PILBARA EDUCATION REGION	Site Location: Pilbara ERO, Karratha Ngaire Whyte, Engagement and Transitions Manager E: ngaire.whyte@education.wa.edu.au T: (08) 9185 0128/0418 918 272				Yes	
Department of Education - SOUTH METROPOLITAN EDUCATION REGION	Site Location: Woodlupine PS Gemma Woods, Engagement and Transitions Manager (0.8) E: gemma.woods@education.wa.edu.au T:(08) 9483 2231/0427 401 947 Natasha Ridley Engagement and Transitions Manager (0.2) E: Natasha.Ridley@education.wa.edu.au T:(08) 9483 2231/ 0484 095 073 Site Location: North Lake SC Charanjit Kaur, Engagement and Transitions Manager E: charanjit.kaur@education.wa.edu.au T:(08) 9314 0456/0434 367 621				Yes	
Department of Education - SOUTHWEST EDUCATION REGION	Site Location: North Albany SHS Nikolai Emery, Engagement and Transitions Manager E: nikolai.emery@education.wa.edu.au T: (08) 9892 0711/0428 392 587 Site Location: Eaton CC Carri Patten, Engagement and Transitions Manager E: carri.gluyas@education.wa.edu.au T: 0476 884 419 Site Location: Busselton SHS Natasha Hoyne, Engagement and Transitions Manager E: Natasha.Hoyne@education.wa.edu.au T: (08) 8791 0317/ 0427 828 753				Yes	



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Department of Education - WHEATBELT EDUCATION REGION	Site Location: Wheatbelt ERO Sarah Shaw, Engagement and Transitions Manager (0.5) E: sarah.shaw@education.wa.edu.au T: (08) 9622 0212/0448 273 144 Sharon Bray, Engagement and Transitions Manager (0.5) E: sharon.bray@education.wa.edu.au T: (08) 9621 0212/0409 291 021 Site Location: Narrogin SHS Prema Sexton, Engagement and Transitions Manager E: Prema.Sexton@education.wa.edu.au T: (08) 9881 9316/0428 882 587				Yes	
Department of Justice	Larry Smith E: larry.smith@justice.wa.gov.au T: (08) 62509200	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Directions Workforce Solutions	E: reception@directionswa.com.au	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Disability Services Commission	E: admin_lac@dsc.wa.gov.au	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Dungeon Youth	For Training Providers Daniel Pisani E: daniel@dungeonyouthcentre.org T: 0407 441 305 For Students Daniel Pisani / Rebecca Jones E: youngppl@dungeonyouthcentre.org T: (08) 9249 8601	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes



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Employment Services Group (ESG)	Armadale, Cannington, Fremantle, Gosnells, Kwinana, Mandurah, Pinjarra, Rockingham, South Lake, Victoria Park E: 1300 13 23 63 W: https://www.matchworks.com.au/contact-us/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Empowering People in Communities (EPIC)	Stephanie Soter E: ceo@empoweringpeople.org.au	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Essential Personnel	Wendy Hoare E: wendy@essentialpersonnel.org.au			Yes		
Forrest Personnel Inc	Penny Crittall; or Jacalyn Graham T: (08) 9792 3333	Yes		Yes		Yes
Fremantle Multicultural Centre	T: (08) 9336 8282		Yes			Yes
GP Down South	Paul Riley or Mary Vaugh paulr@gpdownsouth.com.au mayv@gpdownsouth.com.au	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Great Southern Personnel	Tracy Neilson, Manager, Great Southern Personnel E: tracy@gsp.org.au T: 9842 1510	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Headspace - Osborne Park	E: info@headspaceospk.com.au T: (08) 9208 9555					
Headspace -Joondalup	Vocational Education Program Coordinator E: info@headspacejoondalup.com.au T: (08) 9301 8900			Yes		
Job Link Midwest (inc)	E: training@joblinkmidwest.com.au T: (08) 9964 1022			Yes		Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre Central Regional - Geraldton	E: midwestjsc@crtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 9956 2960	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes



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Jobs and Skills Centre Central Regional - Northam	E: wheatbeltjsc@crtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 9622 6860	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre Central Regional, Kalgoorlie	E: goldfieldsjsc@crtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 9088 6946	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre, North Metropolitan - Joondalup	E: joondalupjsc@nmtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 9233 1738	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre North Metropolitan - Midland	E: midlandjsc@nmtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 9374 6321	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre North Metropolitan - Perth	E: erthjsc@nmtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 9428 0488	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre North Metropolitan - Balga	E: balgajsc@nmtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 (or 08 9207 4388)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre North Region - Broome	E: broomejsc@nrtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 9168 9499	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre North Region - Karratha	E: karrathajsc@nrtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 9168 9488	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre North Region - Kununurra	E: kununurrajsc@nrtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 or 08 9168 9477	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre, North Regional- South Hedland	E: hedlandjsc@nrtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 9168 9467	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre South Metropolitan - Fremantle	E: Fremantle.jsc@smtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 9239 8055	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre South Metropolitan - Armadale	E: armadalejsc@smtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 or 9497 0990	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes



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Jobs and Skills Centre, South Metropolitan Peel (Mandurah)	E: peeljsc@smtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 9586 7411	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre, South Metropolitan - Rockingham	E: rockinghamjsc@smtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 9599 8655	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre South Metropolitan - Thornlie	E: thornliejsc@smtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 9267 7600	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre South Regional - Albany	E: albanyjsc@srtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 6371 3740	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre South regional - Bunbury	E: bunburyjsc@srtafe.wa.edu.au T: 13 64 64 / (08) 6371 3007	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jobs and Skills Centre South Regional - Collie	For information on training T: 1800 621 445 Training Transition Consultant E: colliejsc@srtafe.wa.edu.au T: (08) 6371 3007	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
JSW Training and Community Services	Paula Nankiville E: paulan@jsw.org.au T: 0458 202 2803	Yes	Yes	Yes		
Kullarri Regional Communities Inc	Diann Britton T: 040 7923 003 Jorja Keay T: (08) 9194 1900		Yes	Yes		Yes
Mercycare Limited	Aileen Armanasco / Nicolle Straw / Helen Murray E: Mirrabookareception@mercycare.com.au	Yes		Yes		Yes



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Milligan Community Learning and Resource Centre	Crystal Mather, Nixi Program Coordinator E: together@milligan.org.au T: (08) 9721 8944					
Mission Australia	Rachael Dalziell, Training Manager E: DalziellR@missionaustralia.com.au	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Mitra Community	Aravindhan (Vinnie) Rajaratnam E: vinnie@mitracommunity.org.au T: 0435 040 779	Yes	Yes	Yes		
Multicultural Services Centre of WA	For RTOs Ramdas Sankaran, CEO E: ramdas@mscwa.com.au T: 93282699 For Students Mr Pius Joseph, Executive Officer E: pius@mscwa.com.au Persis Shroff, Relationship Consultant & Career Counsellor E: persis@mscwa.com.au		Yes	Yes		Yes
Multicultural Services Centre of WA	Mr Pius Joseph, Executive Officer E: pius@mscwa.com.au			Yes		Yes
National Disability Services (WA Branch)	David Rogers E: david.rogers@nds.org.au T: (08) 9208 9815			Yes		
Ngaanyatjarra Council Aboriginal Corporation	Clint Shaw E: clint.shaw@ngcouncil.org.au	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Options Employment	T: (08) 9463 0562	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Outcare Incorporated	E: outcare@outcare.com.au	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes



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Puntukurnu Aboriginal Medical Service	Newman House, Unit 5 , 15 Iron ore Parade Newman WA 6753 For Providers Robbie Chibawe E: Pams.ceo@putukurnu.com For Students Louise Titus E: Louise.titus@putukurnu.com	Yes				
Skill Hire WA Pty Ltd	Michelle Bateman General Manager Workforce Development T: 0406 460 583 E: michelle.bateman@skillhire.com.au	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
St John of God Murdoch Hospital Ferns Counselling Centre	Paul Loseby, Counselling Co-ordinator Community Mental Health E: paul.loseby@sjog.org.au	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Support Coordination WA	Tenielle Wihongi E: tenielle.w@supportcoordinationwa.com.au T: 0481 295 689 W: www.supportcoordinationwa.com.au			Yes		
Visability (formerly Association for the Blind)	Mr Dinesh Burah; E: dinesh.burah@visability.com.au T: (08) 9311 8202			Yes		
WA Police	Mark Fleskens, Acting Inspector Youth Policing Division Youth.Policing.Operations@police.wa.gov.au	Yes	Yes			
WA Police	Att: Officer in Charge (OIC) Youth Diversion Unit E: Youth.Diversion@police.wa.gov.au				Yes	



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Whitelion Incorporated	Mike Dixon E: Mike.Dixon@whitelion.asn.au T: 0407 702 922	Yes				
Wirrpanda Foundation	David Hynes, VTEC Manager E: davidh@wf.org.au	Yes				
Wirrum Dawang Pty Ltd	Deb Lord-Webster, RTO Manager E: rtomanager@wirrum.com.au T: 0415 131 163	Yes				
Workskil Australia	Paquita Colbourne E: pcolbourne@workskil.com.au T: 0438 859 292	Yes	Yes	Yes		
Workpower Incorporated	Natasha Edwards, E: natasha.edwards@workpower.asn.au T: 0408 927 873	Yes	Yes	Yes		