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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR DIPLOMA OF NURSING PROGRAMS

I am writing to inform you of important changes related to the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council's (ANMAC) assessment of Diploma of Nursing (HLT51612) programs.

You may already be aware that all qualifications in the current Health Training Package (HLT07) are currently under review by the Community Services and Health Industry Skills Council (CS&HISC). This training package includes the new Diploma of Nursing qualification (HLT54115). ANMAC anticipates that this new diploma qualification, leading to registration as an enrolled nurse in Australia, will be endorsed and released in December 2015.

The new qualification is not equivalent to the existing qualification by the CS&HISC. With the introduction of the new qualification planned for late this year, the August 2015 meeting of the ANMAC Board of Directors determined that the assessment of any new applications for accreditation for the existing Diploma of Nursing (HLT51612) program will not be progressed until the new training package is available.

ANMAC recognises the impact of these changes for education providers and will continue to provide updates on the planned assessment of the new qualification during this period of transition. For further information related to the introduction of the new qualification please visit the Australian Skills Quality Authority website at www.asqa.gov.au or CS&HISC at www.cshisc.com.au.

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