



FACT SHEET 1

Aged Care Education and Training Incentive Program (ACETI)

The Aged Care Education and Training Incentive (ACETI) program will provide incentive payments to eligible aged care workers who undertake eligible education and training programs.

Aged Care workers undertaking -

- eligible Vocational Education and Training, will receive \$500 on commencement of the training and \$500 on successful completion of the certificate and continued employment in an eligible aged care service.
- enrolled nursing studies, will receive \$1000 on commencement of study and \$1500 on successful completion of study and registration with the Nurses and Midwifery Board of Australia as an Enrolled Nurse and continued employment in an eligible aged care service.
- registered nursing studies, will receive \$2000 on commencement and \$3000 on successful completion of study and registration with the Nurses and Midwifery Board of Australia as a Registered Nurse and continued employment in an eligible aged care service.

Approval and delivery of the second incentive payment is dependant upon receipt of the first incentive payment.

Am I eligible for an incentive payment?

To be eligible for an incentive payment, aged care workers must commence training on or after 1 July 2010.

Vocational Education and Training – aged care workers must be employed in providing direct care with an eligible aged care service and show a commitment to working in the aged care sector prior to commencement of study to be eligible for an incentive payment. To qualify for the final payment, course participants must provide proof of successful completion of the certificate and evidence of employment during their study and on completion of training.

Enrolled Nurse Training – aged care workers must be employed in providing direct care with an eligible aged care service and show a commitment to working in the aged care sector prior to commencement of study to be eligible for an incentive payment. To qualify for the final payment, course participants must provide proof of course completion and registration as an enrolled nurse with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia and provide evidence of employment during their study and on completion of training.

Registered Nurse Training – aged care workers must be employed in providing direct care with an eligible aged care service and show a commitment to working in the aged care sector prior to commencement of study to be eligible for an incentive payment. To qualify for the final payment, course participants must provide proof of course completion and registration as a registered nurse with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia and provide evidence of employment during their study and on completion of training.

To apply, you must-

- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident; and
- Be employed in a position providing direct care in a Commonwealth funded residential aged care service, a service providing Commonwealth funded community care or flexible care service including CACP, EACH or EACH-D, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flexible care services; and
- Meet the necessary qualification criteria for the chosen education or training qualification; and
- Undertake study with a training provider accredited as a Registered Training Organisation or Australian University that is registered to provide the certificate, diploma or degree qualification; and
- Commence study on or after 1 July 2010 and prior to 30 June 2014.

Course costs may be met by the employer, individual or Government.

Which courses are eligible?

Vocational Education and Training	CHC30208 – Certificate III in Aged Care CHC30308 – Certificate III in Home and Community Care CHC40108 – Certificate IV in Aged Care CHC40208 – Certificate IV in Home and Community Care CHC40608 – Certificate IV in Leisure and Health BSB40807 – Certificate IV in Frontline Management
Enrolled Nurse Training	HLT51607 - Diploma of Nursing (Enrolled/Division 2 nursing) HLT43407 – Certificate IV in Nursing (Enrolled/Division 2 nursing)
Registered Nurse Training	Bachelor of Nursing

Note: Registered Nurses are referred to as Division 1 Registered Nurses in Victoria; Enrolled Nurses are referred to as Division 2 Registered Nurses in Victoria. Eligible courses may change from time to time and are contingent upon their ongoing relevance to the aged care sector and the career pathways of aged care workers.

Where can I get more information on the incentive program?

Please register for more information about the incentives, by completing the registration page on the Department of Health and Ageing's website at www.health.gov.au under the path of Home>Health Professionals>Aged Care>Working in Aged Care.

Information is also available through the Aged Care Information Line on 1800 500 853.

Where can I get more information on further studies to upgrade my qualification and build my career in aged care?

Please refer to Fact Sheet 2 which outlines a number of contact details for State and Territory Nursing Boards, Vocational Education and Training bodies, as well as peak bodies in the Aged Care Workforce.