

Taking the Lead E-newsletter

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Welcome to Taking the Lead, the one-stop shop for information and advice on developing core language, literacy and numeracy (LLN) skills. This site provides information to help RTOs and employers, including online PD for trainers and assessors, case studies showing how employers and employees benefit from training that supports and develops LLN skills, LLN tips giving comprehensive advice on how to improve LLN; a searchable resource directory of LLN resources, and the latest news and events on LLN training services and funding opportunities.

Latest News

Australian WELL Practitioners' Network Conference—November 2011

Call for Workshop Presenters—We are seeking expressions of interest from presenters for the afternoon workshop sessions. The workshops (each 1 hour in length) will focus on practical 'hands-on' activities that engage and support WELL practitioners.

Minister Peter Garrett on National Literacy and Numeracy Week—Aug 2011

... it's also the case that a lot of our adult population doesn't have higher degrees of literacy. It's the kind of thing which you wouldn't think is in Australia but it's actually true.

Australian LLN Reports and Resources

NEW reports and resources are regularly sourced to the directory.

Improving LLN skills for the VET workforce—2011

Final report to IBSA - Louise Wignall reviews a project examining ways of integrating LLN into vocational training packages for trainers with the aim of improving their ability to help learners with literacy needs.

Employability Skills and Attributes Framework—2011

The paper provides the background to a series of public consultations being conducted across the country in August 2011. These consultations are the final stage of a scoping process for the framework and will result in a set of recommendations for its further development.

The role of technology in engaging disengaged youth: final report—2011

Written for the Australian Flexible Learning Framework, this final report examines how technology can engage disengaged youth in education and training. Low literacy learners and digital literacy skills are discussed throughout this report.

Working together: Integrated language, literacy and numeracy support in VET—2011

This report investigates LLN teachers and vocational teachers working together to deliver LLN support to students that is integrated with students' vocational courses.

International LLN Reports and Resources

Improving literacy and numeracy for the Maori workforce—2011 (NZ)

Te Puni Kokiri's review into the State sector's contribution to improving literacy and numeracy outcomes for the Maori workforce. This report uses four case studies to demonstrate good practice in programme design and delivery.

Connecting literacy and employment through Essential Skills (Foundation Skills) - 2011 (Can)

Seven learner workbooks, embedding Essential Skills (Foundation Skills) activities within employment-readiness tasks and are designed for use in a facilitated group setting.

The transfer of literacy Language and numeracy skills from learning programmes into the workplace—2011 (NZ)

This review is the first stage of a two-stage research project by the NZCER for the Department of Labour. The project addresses the ways employees transfer, use, and develop LLN skills in the workplace; the conditions that enable this to happen; and the short- to medium-term outcomes for employees and workplaces.

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Events 2011

Australia

2011 Indigenous Literacy Day

7 September — Help to raise literacy levels and improve the lives and opportunities of Indigenous Australians living in remote and isolated regions.

2011 ACAL Conference

Last chance to Register

26-28 September - *Literacy on the Map: Common Visions, Different Paths*, Melbourne.

2011 National Skills Week—New

1-8 October

2011 Australian WELL Practitioners' Conference

17-18 November Sydney

International

2011 International Literacy Day

8 September — On this day each year United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) reminds the international community of the status of literacy and adult learning globally.

Taking the Lead is seeking your contribution

If you have LLN resources, products, or know of an upcoming event or LLN Latest News that you would like included on *Taking the Lead* website and in the next e-newsletter, please contact [Taking the Lead](#)