
To	Poari Mātauranga/Academic Board	From	Rosemary Dewerse – Lead, Quality Systems, Te Korowai Kahurangi
Title	NZQA & ITP Sector Update	Date	5/11/19

Recommendations

That the Committee discuss the value going forward of the Sector Update and, if wanting it to continue, name their expectations of reporting.

Purpose

To provide Poari Mātauranga/Academic Board with an NZQA and ITP sector update.

Key Points

There is nothing to report this month.

In the light of the query raised at the last Academic Board meeting, the value of this sector update needs review. This is because:

1. By the time the Academic Board meets, with the report being written two weeks earlier, news is often out of date.
This particularly affects NZQA Change reports, regarding changes to national qualifications, which are produced at the end of every month. The report being due before that, the information is then six weeks out of date by the time the Board receives it (ie the October report drew from the August Change Report). Typically, affected programmes have already been informed. Having said that, most change reports concern Unit Standards and rarely are relevant for us.
2. This month, the main news to report regards the new Code of Practice for the pastoral care of domestic students, but I am told this was discussed in the previous meeting of the Academic Board (it was announced 14 October).
3. Each week Te Korowai Kahurangi forwards the Tertiary Insight News and Parliament Report to all staff, which provides in-time updates. Presumably Board members read this, or the expectation to do so could be set.
4. Last month the news offered was questioned as to its worth. Guidance as to nature and level would be appreciated if the Board wants the Update to continue. And if news has already been disseminated can the Update read 'nothing to report'?