

# TAFE Technology Fund - Mobile TAFE

## FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – EDUCATION AND SKILLS

**Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule**

Parties	Commonwealth New South Wales Victoria Queensland Western Australia South Australia Tasmania Northern Territory																																																																		
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2030, or on completion of all approved projects (whichever is later), including final performance reporting and processing of final payments against milestones.																																																																		
Purpose	<p>This Schedule establishes the funding arrangements between the Commonwealth and the states and territories (the States) to support the delivery of Mobile TAFE.</p> <p>This Schedule provides Commonwealth funding to State projects that have been developed in partnership with First Nations communities to help deliver skills and training to outer regional and remote First Nations communities.</p>																																																																		
Estimated financial contributions	<p>The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to the States of \$30.0m in respect of this Schedule.</p> <table><tr><th>Table 1 (\$ million)</th><th>2026-27</th><th>2027-28</th><th>2028-29</th><th>2029-30</th><th>Total</th></tr><tr><td>Estimated total budget</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td></tr><tr><td>Less estimated National Partnership Payments</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td></tr><tr><td>- NSW</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td></tr><tr><td>- VIC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td></tr><tr><td>- QLD</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td></tr><tr><td>- WA</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td></tr><tr><td>- SA</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td></tr><tr><td>- TAS</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td></tr><tr><td>- NT</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td><td>TBC</td></tr><tr><td>Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.0</td></tr></table> <p>Note: There is no requirement for states to provide matched funding.</p>	Table 1 (\$ million)	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	Total	Estimated total budget	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	Less estimated National Partnership Payments	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	- NSW	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	- VIC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	- QLD	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	- WA	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	- SA	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	- TAS	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	- NT	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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Additional terms	<p><b>Projects</b></p> <p>To access funding under this Schedule, States are required to submit project proposals for consideration and approval by the Commonwealth Minister responsible for skills. The Commonwealth Minister will issue guidelines (Attachment A) to the States that detail:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) the requirements each project proposal must satisfy to be eligible</li> <li>b) the criteria by which projects will be assessed, and</li> <li>c) the process for assessing and selecting project proposals.</li> </ul> <p>States will be required to use the project proposal form issued by the Commonwealth Minister.</p> <p>Performance milestones for each approved project will be appended to this Schedule (Tables 2A – 2G) on agreement by the Parties.</p> <p>States may use up to three per cent of the total Commonwealth contribution for project administration.</p> <p><b>Project plans</b></p> <p>Once a project is approved, States will be required to submit a detailed project plan for the project. A project plan template will be issued by the Commonwealth.</p> <p>Project plans will be approved by agreement between the relevant Commonwealth and State senior officials responsible for skills. Minor variations can also be agreed by senior officials.</p> <p>Major variations to project plans as defined by the guidelines (Attachment A), such as the extension of project completion dates beyond 30 June 2030, will require agreement between the relevant Commonwealth and State Minister.</p> <p><b>Reporting</b></p> <p>States will submit biannual reports to the Commonwealth throughout the implementation period for projects using the template provided. Biannual reports will set out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) project status</li> <li>b) progress over the previous 6 months</li> <li>c) expenditure to date</li> <li>d) activities in progress</li> <li>e) major delays and/or risks to the project</li> <li>f) outlook for the next 6 months</li> <li>g) updated implementation timeline, and</li> <li>h) Endorsement by State and provider officials.</li> </ul>
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	<p><b>Attribution</b></p> <p>In all public materials relating to Projects funded under this Schedule, the States will acknowledge the Commonwealth's contribution with the following statement:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">[Project name] is a joint initiative between the Australian Government and the [State] Government.</p> <p>All governments will take steps to promote Mobile TAFE projects, particularly to communities that will be served by Mobile TAFE projects.</p> <p>States and the Commonwealth will consult on the nature and content of any events, announcements, promotional activity or publicity, for projects funded through Mobile TAFE. States will provide the Commonwealth with the opportunity to open projects jointly.</p>
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The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this schedule as follows:

**Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by**



**The Honourable Andrew Giles MP**  
Minister for Skills and Training

18 / 12 / 2025

**Signed for and on behalf of the State of New South Wales by**

**The Honourable Steven Whan MP**  
Minister for Skills, TAFE and Tertiary Education

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**Signed for and on behalf of the State of Victoria by**

**The Honourable Gayle Tierney MP**  
Minister for Skills and TAFE

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**Signed for and on behalf of the State of Queensland by**

**The Honourable Rosslyn Bates MP**  
Minister for Finance, Trade, Employment and Training

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**Signed for and on behalf of the State of Western Australia by**

**The Honourable Amber-Jade Sanderson MLA**  
Minister for Energy and Decarbonisation;  
Manufacturing; Skills and TAFE; Pilbara

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**Signed for and on behalf of the State of South Australia by**



**The Honourable Blair Boyer MP**  
Minister for Education, Training and Skills

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**Signed for and on behalf of the State of Tasmania by**

**The Honourable Felix Ellis MP**  
Minister for Skills and Jobs

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**Signed for and on behalf of the Northern Territory by**

**The Honourable Jo Hersey**  
Minister for Education and Training

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