

Turbocharging the VET Workforce

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT - EDUCATION AND SKILLS

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule

Parties	Commonwealth New South Wales Victoria Queensland Western Australia South Australian Tasmania Australian Capital Territory Northern Territory
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2027, or on completion of all approved projects (whichever is later), including final performance reporting and processing of final payments against milestones.
Purpose	This Schedule establishes the funding arrangements between the Commonwealth and the states and territories (the States) to support the delivery of Turbocharging the VET Workforce. This Schedule provides Commonwealth funding to State projects that increase the teacher, trainer and assessor workforce for clean energy occupations.

<p>Estimated financial contributions</p>	<p>The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to the States of \$30.0m in respect of this Schedule.</p> <hr/> <p>Table 1</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="400 271 847 349">(\$ million)</th> <th data-bbox="852 271 991 349">2025-26</th> <th data-bbox="995 271 1134 349">2026-27</th> <th data-bbox="1139 271 1294 349">Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="400 356 847 394">Estimated total budget</td> <td data-bbox="852 356 991 394">15.0</td> <td data-bbox="995 356 1134 394">15.0</td> <td data-bbox="1139 356 1294 394">30.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="400 409 847 488"><i>Less estimated National Partnership Payments</i></td> <td data-bbox="852 409 991 488">15.0</td> <td data-bbox="995 409 1134 488">15.0</td> <td data-bbox="1139 409 1294 488">30.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="400 495 847 533">- New South Wales</td> <td data-bbox="852 495 991 533">3.8</td> <td data-bbox="995 495 1134 533">3.8</td> <td data-bbox="1139 495 1294 533">7.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="400 539 847 577">- Victoria</td> <td data-bbox="852 539 991 577">3.2</td> <td data-bbox="995 539 1134 577">3.2</td> <td data-bbox="1139 539 1294 577">6.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="400 584 847 622">- Queensland</td> <td data-bbox="852 584 991 622">2.7</td> <td data-bbox="995 584 1134 622">2.7</td> <td data-bbox="1139 584 1294 622">5.4</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="400 629 847 667">- Western Australia</td> <td data-bbox="852 629 991 667">1.7</td> <td data-bbox="995 629 1134 667">1.7</td> <td data-bbox="1139 629 1294 667">3.4</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="400 674 847 712">- South Australia</td> <td data-bbox="852 674 991 712">1.3</td> <td data-bbox="995 674 1134 712">1.3</td> <td data-bbox="1139 674 1294 712">2.6</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="400 719 847 757">- Tasmania</td> <td data-bbox="852 719 991 757">0.8</td> <td data-bbox="995 719 1134 757">0.8</td> <td data-bbox="1139 719 1294 757">1.6</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="400 763 847 801">- Australian Capital Territory</td> <td data-bbox="852 763 991 801">0.8</td> <td data-bbox="995 763 1134 801">0.8</td> <td data-bbox="1139 763 1294 801">1.6</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="400 808 847 846">- Northern Territory</td> <td data-bbox="852 808 991 846">0.7</td> <td data-bbox="995 808 1134 846">0.7</td> <td data-bbox="1139 808 1294 846">1.4</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="400 853 847 931">Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions</td> <td data-bbox="852 853 991 931">0.0</td> <td data-bbox="995 853 1134 931">0.0</td> <td data-bbox="1139 853 1294 931">0.0</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Note: These figures reflect rounding – actuals may differ slightly and will be detailed in the Tables below.</p>	(\$ million)	2025-26	2026-27	Total	Estimated total budget	15.0	15.0	30.0	<i>Less estimated National Partnership Payments</i>	15.0	15.0	30.0	- New South Wales	3.8	3.8	7.5	- Victoria	3.2	3.2	6.5	- Queensland	2.7	2.7	5.4	- Western Australia	1.7	1.7	3.4	- South Australia	1.3	1.3	2.6	- Tasmania	0.8	0.8	1.6	- Australian Capital Territory	0.8	0.8	1.6	- Northern Territory	0.7	0.7	1.4	Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	0.0	0.0	0.0
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