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#### **NOVEMBER 2018**

# **Student Visa Special Edition - All you need to know!**

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#### Have you heard about the Student Visa Program updates?

#### TOEFL ENGLISH TEST

As of 6 June 2018, the Department no longer accepts the TOEFL paper based test (TOEFL PBT) as evidence of English language proficiency for the purposes of the Student visa (subclass 500) application. However, TOEFL iBT (aka internet based scores ) continue to be accepted.

Alternative arrangements are in place for applicants who completed the TOEFL revised paper based test

(TOEFL PBT) between 14 October 2017 and 5 June 2018. Applicants who completed the TOEFL PBT prior to 14 October 2017 are not affected.

#### **CONFIRMATION OF ENROLMENT (COE)**

If a student obtains more than one Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) to study in Australia, they must include all the CoE details in their visa application. This ensures that their number one course is identified and a visa granted covers the duration of their entire study course.

If a student decides to change course or education provider and obtains a new CoE after they have been granted a visa, you do not need to send Aurec the new CoE. This can be viewed by the Department online via PRISMS.





## **NEW OFFICE**

We are delighted to announce the opening of our **new office in Queensland**! This change will now allow us to help even more people get their dream of living in Australia.

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Please note: This newsletter contains broad information and requests for specific information on each case, please direct to us.

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#### **HEALTH INSURANCE FOR DEPENDENTS**



It is vital that all students provide evidence of Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) for themselves and any accompanying dependents for the entire duration of their student visa in order to be granted a visa.

Students must also provide evidence of OSHC for any subsequent student visas before it can be granted. This also applied to any accompanying dependants.

If a student has a child born while in Australia, they must change to a family policy to include the child. If family members join after their arrival, they will also have to provide OSHC evidence for their visa duration.

# More Student Visa Program updates!

**IMMIGRATION RISK RATING** 

The Immigration Risk Report that education providers can access via ImmiAccount will soon be referred to as the Education Provider Report and providers will be allocated an 'Evidence Level' (EL 1, 2 or 3) instead of an immigration risk rating of 1, 2 or 3.

The aim of this is to guide whether a visa applicant is subject to streamlined or regular evidential requirements for English and finance, and does not reflect the quality of an education provider or academic outcomes.

#### STUDENT VISA CONDITION 8202 CHANGING COURSES

If you hold a Student visa and are thinking about changing your course of study, ensure that you continue to

meet all the conditions that apply to your student visa.

Students must maintain enrolment in a registered course that is the same Australian Qualification Framework (AQF) level as, or higher than, the course for which they were granted their Student visa.



### **OUR PUPPY**

Look how big our sponsored puppy Everest has grown in a short few months!

Everest is currently in training to be a **guide dog** and will change a persons life for the better someday.

Shockingly, 3 out of 4 people in NSW/ACT who need a guide dog don't have one and we would like to help change that.



Before...



...After!