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Tēnā koe Shaun

Request under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 10 February 2023, requesting the following information from Te Pūkenga – New Zealand Institute of Skills and Technology (Te Pūkenga):

I would like to get information on the percentage of apprentices under the competenz programme who are currently listed as "NOT ON TARGET".

Would also like to get information on the average number of years for apprentices to complete their apprenticeships and the completion rate of apprentices who enter their programmes.

Your request as currently framed will be difficult to meet without substantial collation. This is due to the scale of Competenz which covers work-based training for 36 sectors, about half of which have apprenticeship programmes.

Furthermore, the duration of different apprenticeships varies from two to four plus years based on industry standards, block course delivery, and the individual learners' prior learning. We would therefore need to provide an average duration for each apprenticeship in order for the average provided to be useful to you.

It would also be important for Te Pūkenga to provide context for why an apprenticeship is a certain length but doing so across all the whole of Competenz coverage would be time consuming. Therefore, unless your request is amended, I may have to refuse it under section 18(f) of the OIA, which applies where the information cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

To allow Te Pūkenga to complete your request, I would suggest that you narrow the scope of your request by specifying what sectors you would like the requested information for. Please indicate whether you are prepared to amend your request as I have suggested by responding to uia@tepukenga.ac.nz.

You have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the OIA if you are not happy with this response. Information about how to do this is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi



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