Completing for Success @ SWSI

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Commitment to Completions

2006 SWSI Withdrawals Project

2010 Increasing TAFE NSW Qualification Completions

2010 Completing for Success @ SWSI Project

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Project Focus

• Eight Institute action research projects formed part of the Completing for Success @ SWSI project in 2010.

APPRENTICESHIP

• Certificate III in Automotive Mechanical Technology (Light Vehicle)
• Certificate III and Certificate IV in Plumbing
• Certificate III in Commercial Cookery (Trade) & Certificate III in Meat Retailing (Butchery Trade)
Project Focus (cont).

SOCIAL INCLUSION TARGET GROUPS
• Teaching and Learning strategies to improve qualification completions for social inclusion target and equity groups

HIGHER LEVEL QUALIFICATIONS
• Certificate IV in Small Business
• Certificate IV and Diploma in Information Technology (Networking)

CERTIFICATE II AND III COURSES
• Certificate II in English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
• Certificate II in Hairdressing

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Research and Data

• Teams were provided with data sets for the last three calendar years

• Data was interrogated to identify qualifications that were experiencing low completions and to track individual pathways

• Literature review was provided to research teams to provide a platform for their research projects
Project Methodologies

• Institute teams focused on completions in particular qualifications, groups of related qualification and student cohorts

• Teams investigated course areas were data indicated their was a significantly low level of completions or high risk areas

• Quantitative and qualitative data on reasons for students’ non completions through a range of methods
Key Findings

COURSE DURATION AND SKILL SETS

PRE-ENROLMENT SCREENING AND INFORMATION SESSIONS

EMPLOYER ENGAGEMENT

COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS

PROFESSIONAL TEACHING PRACTICE

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Project Framework

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Lesson’s Learnt

• Completions is everybody's business
• Value in Institute wide approach
• Coordination and project management
• Clear communication strategy
• Data support
• Capability development

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Where to From Here
Linking Bright Ideas and IQC Findings

DEVELOPMENT

TEAM WORK

DELIVERY

STAFF SUPPORT

STUDENT SUPPORT

EVALUATION

FEEDBACK

Improving Institute Completion OUTCOMES

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Questions?

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