

WORKSHOP:

***RESEARCHING BY VET FOR VET:  
A STOCKTAKE / LESSONS LEARNT***

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Abstract:

The purpose of this session is to share with other practitioners the reflection of experiences of the Vocational Education and Assessment Centre (VEAC) on VET research.

For almost five years VEAC, a research centre situated within VET (TAFE NSW), has been conducting a wide range of research and evaluation projects. The Centre's general aim is to conduct practical VET research within TAFE and across the VET sector in order to promote leading edge information on assessment and training issues.

This conference provides an opportunity to reflect on our research to date in light of the questions posed by AVETRA. What factors have contributed to changes in our research practice and directions? What have we learnt about methodological issues from our research? How has it contributed to the state or national policy agenda? How are we meeting the diverse needs of clients and stakeholders? What does independent research mean for a funded centre like ours, residing within a large training organisation? What directions should/could research in this centre be taking?