

Statement of VET Tuition Assurance

Under the provisions of *Schedule 1A of the Higher Education Support Act 2003 (HESA)* and Chapter 3 of the [VET Guidelines](#), Australian College of Natural Medicine Pty Ltd (the College) must comply with the VET Tuition Assurance requirements.

Australian College of Natural Medicine Pty Ltd (the College) trades as:

- Endeavour College of Natural Health
- FIAFitnation
- College of Natural Beauty
- Wellnation

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This is to protect VET *students in the event that the College ceases to provide a VET course of study in which a student is enrolled. If such an instance occurs, the student is entitled to a choice of:

- a) an offer of a place in a similar VET course of study with a Second Provider without any requirement to pay the Second Provider any VET tuition fee for any replacement VET units (this is known as the “**VET Course Assurance Option**”);

OR

- b) a refund of his or her up-front VET payments for any VET unit of study that the student commences but does not complete because the College ceases to provide the VET course of study of which the VET unit forms part (this is known as the “**VET Tuition Fee Repayment Option**”)

The College has met the VET tuition assurance requirements as specified in the VET Guidelines through its current membership of the TAFE Directors Australia (TDA) Australian Students Tuition Assurance Scheme (ASTAS).

Contact details for TDA ASTAS are:

TAFE Directors Australia
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Sydney Institute of TAFE NSW
Ultimo College
PO Box 707
Broadway NSW 2007
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If the College ceases to provide a VET course of study, TDA ASTAS will send a student enrolled in the VET course of study a Written VET Tuition Assurance Offer (the Offer) advising the student of the options available under the VET tuition assurance requirements. The Offer will include directions that the student must follow in order to notify TDA ASTAS of the choice they have made for each affected VET unit. TDA ASTAS will provide this Offer within **twenty Business Days** after it knows, or should know by reasonable enquiries that the College has ceased to provide the VET course of study.

For the purposes of VET FEE-HELP, all courses offered by the College in accordance with the course requirements of clause 45 of Schedule 1A of the *Higher Education Support Act 2003* are covered by TDA ASTAS ('the Scheme') as part of the College's membership of the Scheme.

A student may choose either:

The VET Course Assurance Option:

Under the VET course assurance option, a student will be offered a place in a similar VET course of study by TDA ASTAS. If the student accepts this option, TDA ASTAS will make all necessary arrangements to ensure a student is able to enrol with the Second Provider in the similar VET course of study. This offered VET course will lead to the same or a comparable qualification without any requirement on the part of the student to pay the Second Provider any VET tuition fee for any replacement VET units (that is, units that the student had commenced but not completed because the VET course ceased to be offered). A student will receive full credit from the Second Provider for any VET units of study successfully completed at the College.

The Second Provider nominated by TDA ASTAS may have different VET tuition fees to the fees the student would have paid for VET units of study which were part of the VET course of study the College ceased to provide but which the student had not yet started studying.

A student is not obliged to enrol in a VET course of study with a Second Provider offered by TDA ASTAS under the VET Course Assurance Option. However, if he/she enrolls with any other VET provider there is no obligation on that VET provider to offer full credit transfer for the VET units of study completed with the College or to offer replacement VET unit/s free of charge.

OR

The VET Tuition Fee Repayment Option

Under the VET Tuition Fee Repayment Option, TDA ASTAS undertakes to pay the student the total of any up-front VET payments already paid by the student for any VET units of study the student has commenced but not completed because the VET course ceased to be offered. Students selecting this option will also have their FEE-HELP balance re-credited for the uncompleted VET units.

Publication

This *Statement of VET Tuition Assurance* will be made public to students via the College's websites:

- Endeavour College of Natural Health - <http://www.endeavour.edu.au>
- FIAFitnation - <http://www.fiafitnation.com.au>
- College of Natural Beauty - <http://www.cnb.edu.au>

The College will also advise students about where the *Statement of VET Tuition Assurance* may be obtained from as part of their enrolment information.

***Student** – is an individual person who is formally enrolled to study at the College. The individual person is that who appears on the College's documents such as enrolment, admission and payment documents, and who is assigned an individual student ID.