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1. FOR INFORMATION: COMMONWEALTH BEGINS CONSULTATION ON THE REVIEW OF THE *DISABILITY STANDARDS FOR EDUCATION*

The *Disability Standards for Education 2005* (the Standards) help ensure students with disability in Australia can access and participate in education and training on the same basis as students without disability.

a. What is happening?

The Australian Government Department of Education, Skills and Employment, on behalf of the Minister for Education, is undertaking a review of the Standards through an extensive community consultation process. The Standards are reviewed every five years to test if they are effective in achieving their objectives and whether any improvements could be made.

Current, former and prospective students with disability, their families and carers, advocates, educators, trainers and other members of the public are invited to share their experiences, views and ideas to inform the Review of the Standards. A discussion paper has been developed with guiding questions to help you have your say.

b. How can you be involved?

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, engagement activities will mostly be held online via a dedicated 2020 Review [Consultation Hub](#).

There is a range of different ways you can share your views and ideas – including a dedicated webinar for VET stakeholders. To register to be involved or to make a submission visit the [Consultation Hub](#).

The consultations are open until 11.59pm AEST on Friday, 25 September 2020.

For more information on how to get involved, email The Social Deck at engage@thesocialdeck.com or call 0491 617 118.

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