



Adult and Community Education (ACE) Sector Statement

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Adult and community education peak bodies – Adult and Community Education Victoria (ACEVic), Neighbourhood Houses Victoria (NHV), Adult Learning Australia (ALA) and Community Colleges Australia (CCA) welcome *The Future of Adult and Community Education in Victoria 2020-2025* Ministerial Statement which recognises the integral role adult and community education plays within the post-secondary education system and its role in providing skills for work, further education and life.

The sector peak bodies will work collaboratively to support the Adult and Community Further Education (ACFE) Board and the Department of Education and Training as they assist providers to implement the core principles of the Ministerial Statement. We strongly support the commitment to ensure all Victorians have access to high quality, learner centred, responsive adult and community education in every Local Government Area in Victoria. The peak bodies are unified in their belief that education is a fundamental human right that aids personal, community and economic prosperity.

The Ministerial Statement provides the recognition and framework within which the sector can thrive and deliver fair and equitable participation in adult education. The peak bodies are committed to the sustainable provision of adult and community education in Victoria and welcome the opportunity for ongoing consultation regarding the implementation and review of *The Future of Adult and Community Education in Victoria 2020-2025* Ministerial Statement.