

# *ILR Update*

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# 2012/13 ILR

- ILR Specification for 2012/13 published on 9 December 2011
- Version 2 of the specification to be published at the end of Feb 2012. Will include:
  - Validation rules
  - HE data set changes (now confirmed by HESA)
  - xml schema for 12/13 to be published beginning of March

# Key changes in v1

- Some xml element short names have been amended
- Change of not known postcode to ZZ99 9ZZ
- New learner support and discretionary support codes in Learner FAM. DSF codes only used for SFA funded learners.
- New field for apprenticeship pathway. This data should be added to LARA for 12/13.
- Employment status entity – major revision

# Employment Status changes for 2012/13 (1)

- Data to be collected for all adult learners (except ASL) and all ESF funded and Apprenticeships
- Collect employment status prior to enrolment and update at start of new programme / new ILP
- No need to update during current programme even if employer changes.
- Additional record for first day of learning is required for apprentices who were unemployed prior to starting or employed with a different employer prior to starting (see examples on pg 66 of specification)
- Employer id and workplace postcode required for ER funded as now
- Mapping details given in specification

# Employment Status changes for 2012/13 (2)

- Removal of Employment status type categories (FDL, DBS, CES). Use of date employment status applies to for matching with learning dates
- New employment status categories of
  - In paid employment
  - Not in paid employment and looking for work
  - Not in paid employment and not looking for work
- Additional employment status monitoring:
  - If learner has been in full time education or training prior to enrolment (to enable NEETs to be identified)
  - Self employed, full / part time employment
  - Length of unemployment / learners on active benefits
  - 14-15yr olds at risk of NEET (ESF funded only)

# HE data set changes

- New field in Learning Delivery HE dataset for Net fee, to capture the net tuition fee for the student on their course. This will follow the same definition as the instance.NETFEE field in the student record.
- New Learning Delivery FAM type to be added for HE Monitoring (HEM) and codes to:
  - identify learning aims that start on or after 1 Sept 2012 that are funded using the pre-Sept 2012 fee regime.
  - identify highly qualified candidates prior to enrolment (currently AAB at A level or equivalent)
  - identify learners who have received benefit under the National Scholarship programme

# Other v2 Changes

- Possible amendment of filename format to replace transmission number with date/time stamp (tbc)
- Additional type and code in Learning Delivery FAM to identify re-starts of learning aim across all funding models. Will replace use of Programme entry route (only collected for apprenticeships) and avoid use of complex derived validation variable DD03
- Some amendments to “required for” status to align with validation rules eg. Date of Birth to become mandatory for 16-18LR and ALR funding models.
- Possible additional code in Benefit Status Indicator to identify learners on other benefits (not JSA/ESA(WRAG) who will also be eligible for employment outcome payments in 12/13 (tbc)

# 2013/14 ILR Change Process

## Context

- Operational environment – Funding methodology changes from both agencies
- Political environment – Simplification and bureaucracy reduction
- Technical environment – Data and MI platforms
- Data collections challenge to respond to these agendas. Likely to be another year of significant change!

