

## TRANSFERS BETWEEN REGISTERED PROVIDERS

### PURPOSE

Nurse Training Australia (NTA) will recruit student in an ethical manner. NTA will have a procedure in place for managing the transfer of students between RTO's. For overseas students, this will comply with the ESOS Act and the National Code 2018.

#### NC 2018 Standard 7

#### Overseas Student Transfers

### PROCESS AND PROCEDURES

**Transfer IN** - Registered providers are restricted from enrolling transferring overseas students for the first six months from the commencement of the student's Principal course of study.

The restriction applies to any prerequisite courses in a package of courses as well as the first six months of the principal course.

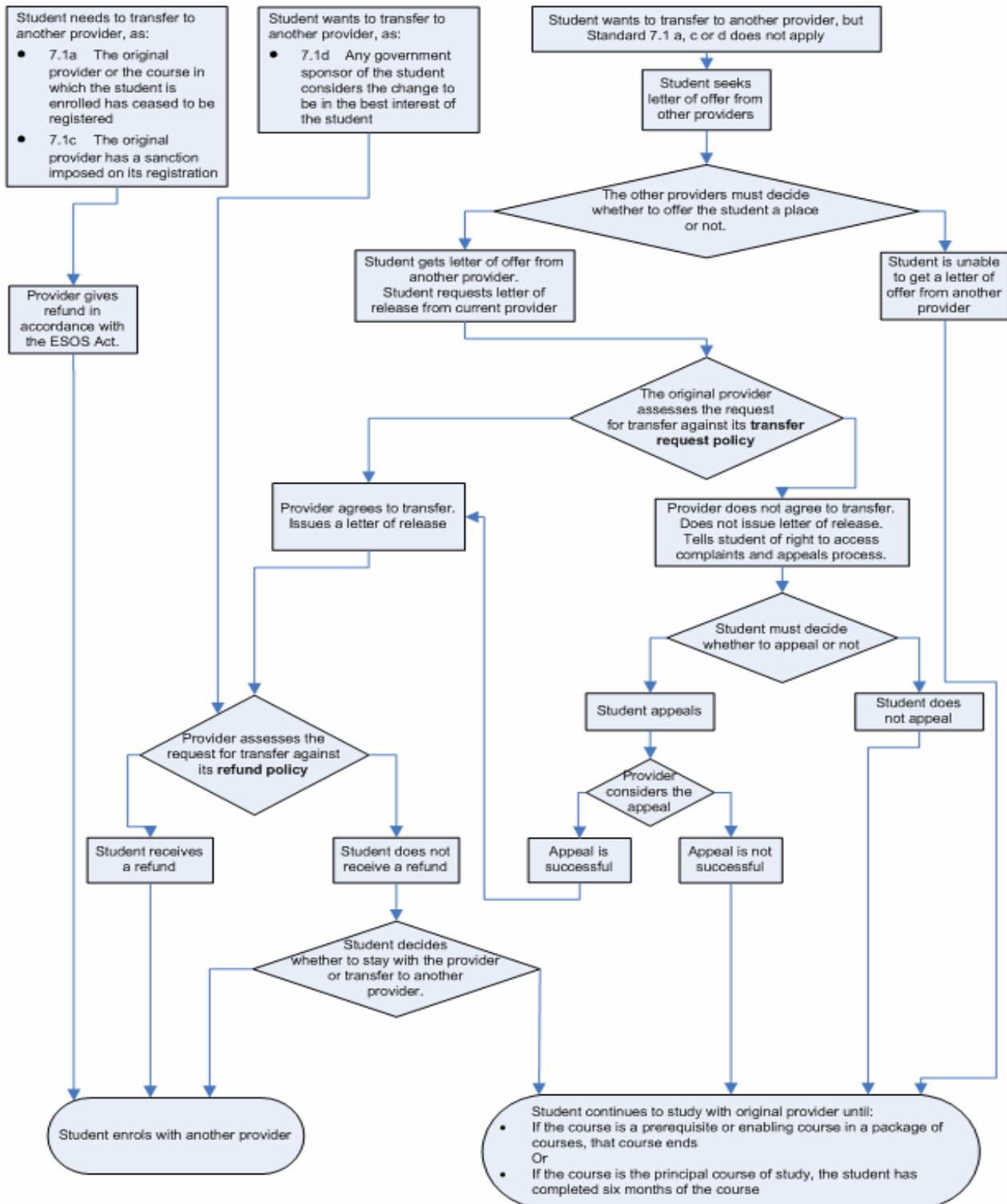
However, it is expected that the student's request will be assessed and may be granted where the transfer will not be to the detriment of the student and where exceptional circumstances (Standard 7.1.1-7.1.4) exist.

**Transfer OUT** – Registered providers will consider a student's request to transfer out of the College prior to the first 6 months and this may be granted where the transfer will not be to the detriment of the student and where exceptional circumstances exist.

After the first six months of the principal course no restrictions apply. So, the student is entitled to transfer out of Nurse Training Australia after 6 months of the principal course and we will advise and process this request.

We will refer to the Department of Education website and Explanatory Guide for guidance in these matters. Each case will be assessed and approved by the Director.

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**Request for Transfer OUT - If the student is seeking to leave NTA to go to another College in the first 6 months - No transfers except for exceptional circumstances.**

Nurse Training Australia is responsible for assessing the student's request to transfer within the first 6 months of the principal course of study. Such a request will be assessed and the decision explained to the student in a personal interview and in writing.

Exceptional circumstances include where NTA cannot continue to offer enrolment:

7.1.1 NTA has ceased to be registered or the course in which the student is enrolled has ceased to be registered,

7.1.2 NTA has had a sanction imposed on its registration by the ESOS agency or Australian Government or state or territory government that prevents the student from continuing his or her Principal course;

Exceptional circumstances include where the student wants to transfer and NTA agrees with this request:

7.1.3 NTA provides a written letter of release and records the date of effect and reason for release in PRISMS.

Exceptional circumstances include where the student wants to transfer and can support the request where:

7.1.4 any government sponsor of the student considers the change to be in the student's best interest and has provided written support for that change.

## **PROCEDURE**

1. Staff will use the Transfer form.
2. We will counsel the student about their request and advise the student that Transfer out in the first 6 months is not approved unless there are exceptional circumstances and these will be assessed.
3. Where the student is close to completion of a subject or end of term we will advise the student to complete that term and the examinations.
4. Where the student is struggling with the academic work we will offer counselling as part of our intervention strategy.
5. We will respond to the request within 5 working days.
6. We will investigate and advise the student on the impact of the request on multiple COE's and packaging of courses on the student visa. If approved, processing changes to the COE will take longer and be more involved where there is more than one CRICOS provider.
7. All fees must be paid up to date if the request is approved.

### **Refusal**

8. Where NTA does not grant a letter of release, the student will be provided with 7.5.1 written reasons for refusing the request and  
7.5.2 his or her right to appeal the decision in accordance with Standard 10 of National Code 2018(Complaints and Appeals). This will be provided within 20 working days from the receipt of the written request. Correspondence will be kept in the student files.

### **Letter of release**

9. If the request is approved, we will prepare a letter of release to the other RTO and notify other CRICOS providers. The letter of release will be issued at no cost to the student and will advise the student of the need to contact DIBP to seek advice on whether a new student visa is required.
10. The release will be approved and signed by the Director.
11. Records of interviews and correspondence must be placed in the student files.
12. Information is entered into the database and PRISMS

**Request for Transfer OUT - If the student is seeking to leave NTA to another College after the first 6 months**

The student is entitled to transfer out of Nurse Training Australia after 6 months. **After the first six months of the principal course no restrictions apply.**

**PROCEDURE**

1. Staff will complete the Transfer form.
2. We will respond to the request within 5 working days.
3. Where the student is close to completion of a subject or end of term we will advise the student to complete that term but we cannot insist on this completion.
4. All fees must be paid up to date.
5. We will provide information on the refund of fees.
6. The student must continue to be enrolled under the student visa conditions until the processing is completed.
7. We will issue a Statement of Attainment.
8. We will provide a letter with the student's enrolment history with our College.
9. Records of interviews and correspondence must be placed in the student files.
10. Information is entered into the database and PRISMS

**Request for Transfer IN - If the student is seeking to enrol at NTA from another College**  
**No acceptance of a transfer to NTA from the principal course of study in the first 6 months unless there are exceptional circumstances**

The National Code restricts providers from enrolling transferring students prior to the student completing six months of his or her Principal course of study except for the circumstances outlined in the standard.

NTA must not knowingly enrol the student wishing to transfer from another registered provider's course within the first six months of the commencement date of that student's Principal course of study at that College except where there are exceptional circumstances:

- 7.1.1 the original registered provider has ceased to be registered or the course in which the student is enrolled has ceased to be registered,
- 7.1.2 the original registered provider has had a sanction imposed on its registration by the ESOS Agency or Australian Government or state or territory government that prevents the student from continuing his or her principal course, or,
- 7.1.3 the original registered provider has provided a written letter of release, and recorded the date of effect and reason for release in PRISMS
- 7.1.4 any government sponsor of the student considers the change to be in the student's best interest and has provided written support for that change.

**Request for Transfer IN - If the student is seeking to enrol at NTA after the first 6 months at another College.**

**PROCEDURE**

1. The NTA overseas student or local student application form is completed by the student and relevant documents are provided and assessed.
2. The Director of Studies will interview the student – preferably at our College.
3. We will assess the students past study and offer Advanced Standing, credit transfer and RPL if applicable and adjust the course of study.
4. We may request the overseas student to complete the NTA English onshore placement test to ensure that they have the necessary level of English proficiency.
5. We will check the student visa category and visa status, length of visa and the Principal course commencement date. The Provider Registration and International Student Management System (PRISMS) will assist our staff to determine if a student has not completed six months of the Principal course. When NTA attempts to create a new Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE), PRISMS will usually advise if the student has not completed six months of the principal course. PRISMS will alert that the student is enrolled elsewhere, but not identify the provider.
6. Staff will complete the Transfer form for our records of this transfer.
7. If NTA agrees to accept the student. we will issue a Confirmation of enrolment (COE).
8. Processing changes to the COE will take longer where the request involves more than one CRICOS provider.
9. We will provide a letter of offer and written agreement with the student.
10. The transfer will be approved and signed by the Director.
11. DIBP through PRISMS will be advised of the changes.
12. Records of interviews and correspondence must be placed in the student files.
13. Information is entered into the database and PRISMS