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This is a special newsletter from City & Guilds **for England** following the release of additional guidance for trailblazers on March 2015 by HM Government.

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Guidance for Trailblazers – from standards to starts – March 2015

 HM Government

The Future of Apprenticeships in England

Guidance for Trailblazers – from standards
to starts

March 2015

This document provides additional guidance for developers of apprenticeship standards and related assessment plans.

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/417893/bis-15-175-future-apprenticeships-in-england-guidance-for-trailblazers-standards-to-starts.pdf

Please note that although it is aimed at employers, it also provides providers with the following e-mail address to be part of the trailblazers groups:

trailblazers@aoc.co.uk

This is monitored by: Association of Colleges (AoC), Association of Employer and Learning Providers (AELP) and University Vocational Awards Council (UVAC).

The main topics explained in the document are:

- Introduction and overview.
- How to apply to develop an apprenticeship standard if you are an employer and when.
- Development of the apprenticeship standard upon approval – guidance and templates.
- How and when to submit the draft standard for informal feedback and for formal approval.
- Criteria for approval of standards.
- Development of an assessment plan and preparation for delivery.
- Criteria for approval of apprenticeship assessment plans.
- Allocation of funding caps to apprenticeship standards.
- Working with education and training organisations – delivery.

List of apprenticeship standards and assessment plans produced by employers and agreed by the government:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/apprenticeship-standards>

List of standards that are currently being developed by employer groups:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/apprenticeship-standards-in-development>

Latest information on apprenticeship reform:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/apprenticeship-changes>

Trailblazer Apprenticeships: Funding Rules 2014 to 2015, March 2015

The following document sets out the funding rules which apply to the new Trailblazer apprenticeship standards.

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/412172/Trailblazer_Apprenticeships_Funding_Rules_2014_to_2015_versions_2.pdf

A digital voucher system has just been announced by the Government to simplify the process:

<http://feweeek.co.uk/2015/03/17/number-10-reveals-apprenticeship-funding-reform-ahead-of-budget/>

Evaluation of the Apprenticeship Trailblazers: Interim Report, March 2015



BIS Research Paper No. 213 is an independent evaluation reviewing the successes and challenges of the introduction of the new apprenticeships standards. City & Guilds was consulted the process.

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/410370/bis-15-130-evaluation-of-the-apprenticeship-trailblazers-interim-report.pdf

Remaking Apprenticeships

The City & Guilds Alliance recently published 'Remaking Apprenticeships' written by Professor Bill Lucas and Ellen Spencer.



www.cityandguilds.com/remakingapprenticeships

Agenda Magazine – Apprenticeships Special



<https://view.publitas.com/p222-882/agenda-issue-3-a/page/1>

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Each edition is numbered, so we can refer back to previous issues or tell you when information has been superseded.

If there's anything else you'd particularly like us to cover or explain more fully in future issues of *All About*, please feel free to drop us a line to patricia.santos@cityandguilds.com or visit us at <http://goo.gl/ZHgVgV>

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