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REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN A DHET RESEARCH STUDY

This circular serves as a request for your SETA to participate in a Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) research study to inform the Sector Education and Training Authorities (SETAs) Stipend Standardization Policy.

Currently there are significant disparities in the learner stipends disbursed by the various SETAs for different learning Workplace Based Learning (WPBL) programmes. The aim of this study is to document current practices in stipends paid by SETAs across the different WPBL programmes (see Annexure A for the program categories); variables that should be taken into account to achieve policy objectives; current challenges; and possible solutions to achieve the policy objectives better, cheaper and faster.

Given your SETAs' involvement in the implementation of WPBL programmes, we request your **compulsory participation in the study**. An online questionnaire will be administered to nominated SETA officials, followed by interview sessions with a selected sample of SETAs. (The sample will be determined based on responses to the questionnaires).

The Public Service Sector Education and Training Authority (PSETA) has been asked to conduct this study and will be liaising with your SETA in this regard. You are thus requested to complete the attached form nominating a representative from your SETA to participate in this study.

For any queries, kindly communicate with **Mr Daryl Mclean: Chief Operations Officer (COO)** for PSETA at (012) 4235713 or Email at DarylM@pseta.org.za

Yours Sincerely,



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