

# CNSST Education Institute Self-Review Report

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The Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Learners)
Code of Practice 2021



Learner Wellbeing and Safety



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| Current enrolments  |                           |                         | rners Total # |              |           | 18 y/o or old | er                             | #347 |
|                     |                           |                         |               |              |           | Under 18 y/o  | )                              | #0   |
|                     | International learners    |                         | Total #       | #0           |           | 18 y/o or old | er                             | #0   |
|                     |                           |                         |               |              |           | Under 18 y/c  | •                              | #0   |
| Current residents   |                           |                         | rners Total # | #0           |           | 18 y/o or old | er                             | #0   |
|                     |                           |                         |               |              |           | Under 18 y/o  |                                | #0   |
|                     | International learners    |                         | Total # #     | #0           |           | 18 y/o or old | er                             | #0   |
|                     |                           |                         |               |              |           | Under 18 y/c  | )                              | #0   |
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# Stage of implementation for each outcome

Indicate the stage of implementation that most reflects your organisation's current level of understanding and practice for each outcome, based on the continuum provided in Appendix 1.

### Organisational structures to support a whole-of-provider approach to learner wellbeing and safety

|  | Rating   |
|--|--|
| Outcome 1: A learner wellbeing and safety system | Well implemented / Implemented / Developing / Early stages |
| Outcome 2:<br>Learner voice                      | Well implemented / Developing / Early stages               |

|   | Rating   |
|---|--|
| Outcome 3: Safe, inclusive, supportive, and accessible physical and digital learning environments | Well implemented / Implemented / Developing / Early stages |
| Outcome 4: Learners are safe and well   | Well implemented / Implemented / Developing / Early stages |

|   | Rating   |
|---|--|
| Outcome 8: Responding to the distinct wellbeing and safety needs of international tertiary learners | Well implemented / Developing / Early stages               |
| Outcome 9: Prospective international tertiary learners are well informed                            | Well implemented / Developing / Early stages               |
| Outcome 10: Offer, enrolment, contracts, insurance and visa   | Well implemented / Implemented / Developing / Early stages |
| Outcome 11: International learners receive appropriate orientations, information and advice         | Well implemented / Implemented / Developing / Early stages |
| Outcome 12: Safety and appropriate supervision of international tertiary learners                   | Well implemented / Developing / Early stages               |

# **Summary of performance under each outcome**

#### Organisational structures to support a whole-of-provider approach to learner wellbeing and safety

|                         | Summary of performance based on gathered information  | How do you know? (i.e. note supporting evidence with               |
|-------------------------|---|--|
|                         | (i.e. how effectively is your organisation doing what it needs to be doing?)  | analysis to make sense of what it means)                           |
| Outcome 1:              | 1. Strategic goals and strategic plan   | 1. Strategic goals and strategic plan                              |
| A learner wellbeing and | CNSST Education Institute (CNSSTEI):  | Learner Policies in place for student counselling, complaints      |
| safety system           | CNSSTEI has its own organisational policies and strategic plan established that encompass student wellbeing and     | procedure, and protecting personal information.                    |
|                         | safety.   | CNSST Annual Strategic Plan: Quoted Strategic Goals,               |
|                         | Our Learners:   | "To provide safe, inclusive, supportive, accessible,               |
|                         | All CNSSTEI learners are provided with opportunities for  | successful, enjoyable, memorable, and high-quality                 |
|                         | their voices to be heard through systematic consultation  | educational experience for all learners, with focus on             |
|                         | processes on a regular basis.   | learners' safety and wellbeing; free from racism and/or bullying." |
|                         | Our Stakeholders:   |  |
|                         | With an established network comprised of academic and   | "To respond to learner voices and respond to wellbeing and         |
|                         | industrial stakeholders (e.g. Education professionals, Associations, business owners), learner wellbeing and safety | safety needs in a cultural appropriate manner."                    |
|                         | system consultations have been held for continuously identifying issues and seeking further improvements.           | Needs Analysis Forms filled out by the students.                   |
|                         |   | Ongoing WeChat-based consultation and feedback.                    |
|                         | 2. Self-review of learner wellbeing and safety practices  |  |
|                         | CNSSTEI has its own Annual Review System established including QMS and operational review sessions, including       | Letters of Support from key stakeholders                           |
|                         | Annual Self-reviews of Code Practice following the steps of:  | 2. Self-review of learner wellbeing and safety practices           |
|                         | Prepare   | Self-review Report   |
|                         | Gather  |  |
|                         | Make sense  | Achievement Report   |

#### Decide

To ensure intended learning outcomes and wellbeing and safety practices for learners, CNSSTEI has its own monitoring system and annual appraisals in place to promote tutors' Reflective Practices and improve teaching methods and mechanisms.

#### 3. Publication requirements

Code Self-Review Report is published on CNSST Website within a month of completion, accessible to public.

#### 4. Responsive wellbeing and safety systems

Relevant information has been effectively gathered and communicated across the organisation, including governance, management, and other departments of CNSST Foundation. Timely responsive support system has been available for all learners through referring students both internally and externally to any appropriate services.

CNSST Management requires Reflective Practices from all staff, tutors and contractors. Learning and sharing sessions have been retained for reflection and training purposes.

Speakers of internal and external resources have been arranged for Staff Professional Development workshops, where concerns of learners' wellbeing and safety systems have been addressed, with relevant trainings were followed for increasing staff awareness on work agenda, roles, and responsibilities.

Wrap-around support services of CNSST Foundation attach great importance to ensuring every learner is provided with

Scheduled monitoring of CNSSTEI Online and Onsite deliveries

Teachers' Appraisals and improvement advice

Various channels to communicate with students

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#### 4. Responsive wellbeing and safety systems

WeChat-based Student Wellbeing Group involves CNSSTEI staff, tutors and students. This has been an effective platform to connect with students and identify if any emerging needs require attention.

CNSST weekly organisational Social Media publishing on government updates and wellbeing-focused service information.

Health & Safety Committee establishment and its policies.

Weekly Team Meetings, monthly Management Team meetings, monthly Organisational Staff Meetings, and quarterly Board Meetings.

CNSST 'Staff Professional Development' trainings

PPTs of 'Health & Safety' training sessions

PPTs of 'Learning and Sharing' training sessions

a comprehensive care throughout their learning journey Teachers' Only Days and their reflective agendas with CNSSTEI. Responsive trainings and measures in place to respond to **CNSSTEI** staff training Logs emergency situations. 24/7 learner support system Systematic reporting and recording systems in place for reviewing student-related incidents and accidents, for CNSST Annual Report with the introduction of our social investigation purposes and to prevent any issues from services, education and social housing. reoccurring in the future. Community Connection Services Discretionary Fund utilised for providing financial assistances to learners who are experiencing financial hardships without access to government support First Aid certification arrangement for all staff CNSST Health & Safety Committee meetings & policies Incident and accident logs Outcome 2: 1. Learner voice 1. Learner voice CNSSTEI Strategic Plan supports the idea of aligning Complaint policy & procedure Learner voice educational service components and intended outcomes through reflective practices based on the Learner Voices Orientation. collected. Graduation. Achievement Report, Learners are encouraged to share their learning experience **Evaluation** with CNSSTEI through various channels, which their feedback are collected and discussed for adjustments to be Needs Analysis Forms filled out by the students. made in the education practices. The platforms used in these processes include complaint lodge system, Needs Ongoing WeChat-based consultation and feedback. Analysis Survey, individual learning plans, evaluation-based

reflective practices, evaluation-based achievement summary and annual plans.

A survey was conducted targeting all students in 2024 with a focus on their learning experience and progress in general. Approximately 90% of all respondents, the majority being seniors, expressed the class schedules were found to be challenging due to their weakened memory. Necessary adjustments were made to the class schedules and delivery methods to ensure more engaging and achievable learning experiences for learners.

#### 2. Learner complaints

While there have been no complaints received so far, transparent and accessible complaint process and system have been retained, accessible through multiple channels that are culturally and linguistically appropriate.

Complaint lodgement template is available for CNSSTEI learners at all times, in case of an immediate attention is required to any such concern.

#### 3. Compliance with the Dispute Resolution Scheme

While no disputes have been identified so far, CNSSTEI has its own dispute resolution process established in case of an immediate attention is required to any such concern.

Class schedules adjusted based on enquiries received from learners through surveys.

Meeting Minutes on the evidence-based decision making

#### 2. Learner complaints

Complaint lodgement template and system in place

Staff Training in relevance

Policy Display on campus

Related Introduction through Orientation

Part of the key policy contents included in the Student Handbook.

**3. Compliance with the Dispute Resolution Scheme** CNSSTEI QMS

Dispute Resolution Application Form

|                              | Summary of performance based on gathered information (i.e. how effectively is your organisation doing what it needs to be doing?) | How do you know? (i.e. note supporting evidence with analysis to make sense of what it means) |
|------------------------------|---|---|
| Outcome 3:                   | 1. Safe and inclusive communities   | 1. Safe and inclusive communities   |
| Safe, inclusive, supportive, | To ensure all learners feel safe and inclusive, CNSSTEI has   |   |
| and accessible physical and  | been implementing various engagement methods, such as   | CNSSTEI QMS   |
| digital learning             | Orientation, Learners' Needs Assessment, tailored individual  | ·   |
| environments                 | learning plan, student support services, and bilingual  | Student Handbook  |
|                              | educational support system.   |   |
|                              |   | CNSST Code of Ethics  |
|                              | Code of Ethics training and agreement between CNSSTEI and   |   |
|                              | each tutor is a mandatory requirement, purposed to create a   | Needs Analysis and individualised learning plan   |
|                              | safe and inclusive learning environment for learners.   |   |
|                              |   | Zoom Manual for students  |
|                              | For campus-based education, safe and convenient   |   |
|                              | accessibility is always prioritised, for promoting an   | Evaluation, data analysis, and student wellbeing support                                      |
|                              | environment where learners can have more interactive and  | systems in place for both onsite & online education   |
|                              | inclusive experience.   | methods   |
|                              | 2. Supporting learner participation and engagement  | 2. Supporting learner participation and engagement  |
|                              | CNSSTEI has been supporting leaners' participation and  | Charles Manda Analasta and Ladi Manda at Lancetta Disc  |
|                              | engagement in both onsite and online methods through  | Student Needs Analysis and Individual Learning Plan   |
|                              | Orientation, Learners' Needs Assessment, tailored individual learning plan, student support services, and bilingual               | Bilingual CNSSTEI staff   |
|                              | 1, ,  | Billingual CNSSTET Statt  |
|                              | educational support system.   | Dilingual topologic   |
|                              | 2. Physical and digital engage and facilities   | Bilingual teachers  |
|                              | 3. Physical and digital spaces and facilities CNSSTEI has been providing physical and digital spaces and                          | Pilingual toaching recourses  |
|                              | facilities both physically and remotely through Orientation,  | Bilingual teaching resources  |
|                              | Learner's Needs Assessment and Needs-based Individual   | Bilingual data collection system  |
|                              | Learner 3 Needs Assessment and Needs-Dased Individual   | billigual data collection system  |

Learning Plan, available and accessible Student Support Services as well as bilingual educational system with cultural responsiveness.

All onsite classrooms are NZQA approved venues, compliant with such criteria as safe and inclusive learning spaces, proper ventilation, access to drinking water, computer lab, free Wi-Fi, etc.

For online education, Zoom Manual and learning resources are provided through door-to-door delivery service, with an orientation as a guideline to ensure all learners feel confident to access and enjoy the virtual classrooms. Digital system for assignment completion and review is still under development. Online activities such as Tai Chi and online mental wellbeing workshops have also been provided.

Student Wellbeing Workshops in students' native language

Orientation

Student Support Staff

Student Wellbeing WeChat Groups

**Graduation Ceremony** 

On 06 September 2024, CNSST held a regional event, 2024 CNSST Foundation Festival of Adult Learning, to have adult learners, educators, and providers come together to increase public awareness on a variety of learning opportunities for adults, while strengthening community connections in moving forward together. The event focused on removing barriers for migrant and elderly population, such as availability of different languages for learning, easy access with low eligibility concerns, free of charge courses, and most of all, helping learners feel sense of belonging and achievement. 85 attendees celebrated the festival together.

Tasting sessions (trial classes) provided at the Festival of Adult Learning

#### 3. Physical and digital spaces and facilities

Evaluation, data analysis, and student wellbeing support systems in place for both onsite & online education methods

One-to-one ZOOM training and installation support

ZOOM Manual provided for learners

Additional digital support for the senior students

**CNSSTEI QMS** 

Student Handbook

**CNSST Code of Ethics** 

Needs Analysis and Individualised learning plan

#### Outcome 4:

Learners are safe and well

# 1. Information for learners about assistance to meet their basic needs

CNSSTEI has been encouraging learners to identify and manage their basic needs through accurate, timely and tailored information and services:

- CNSSTEI Learner-Centric Education and Support Model describes a holistic approach to addressing education, health & wellbeing, acculturation & settlement, employment & social participation, and sense of belonging & contribution to New Zealand.
- CNSSTEI has its own student support services information available in both English and Chinese, provided to all students to ensure they have access to necessary support services and understand New Zealand cultural values.
- CNSSTEI has multi-lingual student support workers

# 1. Information for learners about assistance to meet their basic needs

#### **CNSSTEI Learner-centric Education and Support Model**



CNSST Student Support Worker

#### 2. Promoting physical and mental health awareness

CNSSTEI has been assisting learners manage their physical and mental health through implementing a variety of workshop and sharing useful information for accessing public services. This is in alignment with the Learner-Centric Education and Support Model of CNSSTEI that students are supported not only in their language learning, but also in their physical and mental status enhancement.

# 3. Proactive monitoring and responsive wellbeing and safety practices

CNSSTEI has been proactive in keeping wellbeing and safety practices through the timely and accessible communication system (WeChat-based groups with tutors and student support workers available) to constantly identify issues and provide support for students where necessary.

For instance, making instant transitions to online delivery mode were made responsively in case of severe weather conditions and other variables that prevent classes from carrying out onsite deliveries. Useful links provided to NZ public services

# 2. Promoting physical and mental health awareness Mental wellbeing workshops

Launch of CNSST Elder Abuse Ethnic Hotline (0800 026 778) – 19 June 2024

Post-covid wellbeing workshop - 01 July 2024

Nationwide health and disability advocacy service – 22 August 2024

Cultural understanding of abuse of older people – 09 October 2024

Perspectives from the Chinese community – 09 October 2024

Launch of CNSST Elder Abuse Ethnic Hotline – 19 June 2024

Distribution of free masks, sanitisers and PPEs

**CCS Discretionary Fund** 

Door to door delivery of teaching resources

Vaccination Information and booking support

Student-friendly and Eye-Health-protected teaching adjustments

| Extra-curriculum activities   |
|---|
| Cross-team support SWCT   |
| 3. Proactive monitoring and responsive wellbeing and safety practices   |
| Ongoing WeChat-based interactions with tutors and student support workers to identify issues and offer timely support |
| Risk Assessment and Response System in place  |
| Health & Safety System and emergency contacts   |
| CNSST Health and Safety Manual  |
| Individualised Learning Programme with the Home Safety Inspection system and procedures                               |
| Hazard Checklist  |
| Local Medical Support contact information   |
| Monitoring System   |
| Student Support Worker  |
| CNSST Social Workers and Counsellors  |
|   |

|   | Summary of performance based on gathered information (i.e. how effectively is your organisation doing what it needs to be doing?) | How do you know? (i.e. note supporting evidence with analysis to make sense of what it means) |
|---|---|---|
| Outcome 8: Responding to the distinct wellbeing and safety needs of international tertiary learners | N/A   | N/A   |
| Outcome 9: Prospective international tertiary learners are well informed                            | N/A   | N/A   |
| Outcome 10: Offer, enrolment, contracts, insurance and visa   | N/A   | N/A   |
| Outcome 11: International learners receive appropriate orientations, information and advice         | N/A   | N/A   |

| Outcome 12:   |     |     |
|---|-----|-----|
| Safety and appropriate supervision of international tertiary learners | N/A | N/A |
|   |     |     |

# Findings from gap analysis of compliance with key required processes

Organisational structures to support a whole-of-provider approach to learner wellbeing and safety

|  | Identified gaps in compliance with key required processes  |
|--|--|
| Outcome 1: A learner wellbeing and safety system | Professional training sessions for all teaching staff are implemented quarterly each year, with focus on tailoring the contents to better address the unique needs of CNSSTEI senior cohort of students. One of the contents covered in 2024 was raising awareness on elder abuse.   |
|  | CNSSTEI feels the responsibility to continue its efforts for significantly reducing such abuse from occurring, while educating learners to access the support services available to ensure their wellbeing and safety.   |
| Outcome 2: Learner voice                         | There are various channels in place at CNSSTEI where learners are encouraged to actively participate in sharing their concerns or experience and making suggestions to ensure their voices are heard and valued.   |
|  | Further improvement to this system is being considered by having learners not only expressing their opinions, but also engaging in decision and policy making processes by connecting student representatives with CNSST Foundation Management Team. This new practice is to be implemented from the coming year in aim to create a more supportive learning environment for CNSSTEI learners. |

|   | Identified gaps in compliance with key required processes   |
|---|---|
| Outcome 3: Safe, inclusive, supportive, and accessible physical and digital learning environments | NZQA has recently approved and accredited the permanent online delivery mode for all NZCEL programs (excluding the Foundation level). This allowed CNSSTEI the opportunity to cogitate a more practical and effective digital learning environments, with a focus on improving all students' engagement and motivation levels.  This, on the other hand, leaves increased concerns for lacking social and cultural engagement activities, such as Maori/local cultural education and practical experience for NZ life and language practices. |
| Outcome 4: Learners are safe and well   | Consultations between students and other stakeholder will continue, while students will be encouraged to gain more opportunities for engaging with the key stakeholders.  While the majority of learners being senior cohort, emergency procedures are to be reviewed and updated in case of any health-related incidents are to be occurred.   |

|   | Identified gaps in compliance with key required processes |
|---|---|
| Outcome 8: Responding to the distinct wellbeing and safety needs of international tertiary learners | N/A   |
| Outcome 9: Prospective international tertiary learners are well informed                            | N/A   |
| Outcome 10: Offer, enrolment, contracts, insurance and visa   | N/A   |
| Outcome 11: International learners receive appropriate orientations, information and advice         | N/A   |
| Outcome 12: Safety<br>and appropriate<br>supervision of<br>international tertiary<br>learners       | N/A   |

### **Summary of action plan**

Include information on how actions will be monitored for implementation and success.

Organisational structures to support a whole-of-provider approach to learner wellbeing and safety

|  | Action/s to be taken                        | Owner                                     | Due date                       | Plan for monitoring implementation | Measures of success                        |
|--|---|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Outcome 1: A learner wellbeing and safety system | Targeted training on senior abuse awareness | Grace Li;<br>Social Work &<br>Counselling | June 2025                      | Training scheduled and implemented | Feedback from learners                     |
| Outcome 2:<br>Learner voice                      | Learner Voice Day                           | Xiaoming Xun,<br>Education<br>Institute   | December<br>2024,<br>June 2025 | Half-yearly implementation plan    | Meeting minutes and feedback from learners |

|   | Action/s to be taken   | Owner                                   | Due date          | Plan for monitoring implementation  | Measures of success                             |
|---|--|---|-------------------|---|---|
| Outcome 3: Safe, inclusive, supportive, and accessible physical and digital learning environments | Implementation of strategic plan including effective online teaching and learning practices, with regular updating of online resources | Xiaoming Xun,<br>Education<br>Institute | December,<br>2024 | Recording of professional development training and updated learning resources   | Feedback from teachers and learners             |
| Outcome 4:<br>Learners are safe and well  | Emergency procedures review and update, implementation of training on the updated information  | John Jung,<br>Education<br>Institute    | December<br>2024  | Emergency procedures<br>added to learners' safety<br>and wellbeing policies,<br>training scheduled and<br>implemented | CNSSTEI QMS updated, feedback from stakeholders |

|   | Action/s to be taken | Owner | Due date | Plan for monitoring implementation | Measures of success |
|---|----------------------|-------|----------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Outcome 8: Responding to the distinct wellbeing and safety needs of international tertiary learners | N/A                  | N/A   | N/A      | N/A                                | N/A                 |
| Outcome 9: Prospective international tertiary learners are well informed                            | N/A                  | N/A   | N/A      | N/A                                | N/A                 |
| Outcome 10: Offer, enrolment, contracts, insurance and visa   | N/A                  | N/A   | N/A      | N/A                                | N/A                 |
| Outcome 11: International learners receive appropriate orientations, information and advice         | N/A                  | N/A   | N/A      | N/A                                | N/A                 |
| Outcome 12: Safety and appropriate supervision of international tertiary learners                   | N/A                  | N/A   | N/A      | N/A                                | N/A                 |