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1. Information: new package of support announced to support industry placements

On Sunday 19 May 2019, the <u>department announced a new package of support</u> to help employers offer industry placements in readiness for the T Level rollout in September 2020.

The package includes:

- guidance to support employers and providers to offer industry placements, allowing industry placements to be undertaken with up to 2 employers
- high quality placements are now measured by hours rather than days. The placement must be at least 315 hours.
- a pilot scheme to understand more about employer support
- 'how to' guides and workshops

We have also updated our capacity and delivery fund (CDF) information for providers delivering industry placements in both 2018 to 2019 and 2019 to 2020 and for providers delivering industry placements for the first time in 2019 to 2020.

2. Your feedback: academies funding

improvement survey

We are making improvements to the place you go online to view funding from ESFA. We need your valuable input, from the main finance-related roles across organisations.

At the moment we're looking for roles in the following types of organisation:

- multi-academy trusts (finance directors, finance officers or equivalent)
- single academy trusts (finance directors, finance officers or equivalent)
- individual academies (business managers, finance officers, or equivalent)

You can access the <u>survey online which takes only 5 to 10 minutes to complete</u>. Please do pass the survey onto colleagues.

If you have any questions, please contact charlotte.lewis@education.gov.uk and suzanne.higham@education.gov.uk.

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