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TPP Training for Work students top national work stats

Tai Poutini Polytechnic's Training for Work programme has once again topped the country in its work to support students into jobs through the Ministry of Social Development (MSD) programme.

Over the year to June, 83% of the Polytechnic's Training for Work students remained in jobs for longer than three months. This is the top result for any national provider of the programme and is a significant jump on the national target of 50%.

The Training for Work programme is focused on getting MSD clients into jobs on the West Coast. It runs for 13 weeks, teaching skills that help people go through the interview process, what's expected in the workplace and gain relevant qualifications to help students to achieve their goals.

Polytechnic Manager Teaching and Learning Annabell Dey says tutors have continued to take a strong learner-focused approach to the training over the past year and it is pleasing to see such good results.

"We spend time with each person to get to know them, what they want to achieve and what makes them tick. By putting our learners at the centre of our training, we really can create great outcomes for them.

"We understand that everyone learns differently and that, for many, training and getting ready for work can be challenging. So we spend time talking to all students before they begin the MSD Training for Work process and we make the learning flexible to suit their learning needs.

"We work closely with MSD throughout the training period to ensure we are delivering the outcomes they are looking for. Ultimately, we want to support our learners to secure jobs on the West Coast so our tutors actively help to identify job opportunities and guide them through the interview process.

"It's great to see the benefit of this student-focused training in our results. We know we can make a difference for our students and we'll keep working with them to help them achieve their goals."

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