

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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**DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND INNOVATION
CONTINUING EDUCATION AND TRAINING ACT, 2006, (ACT NO.16 OF 2006)****NOTICE OF THE AMENDMENT OF PARAGRAPHS 37 AND 38 OF THE
NATIONAL NORMS AND STANDARDS FOR FUNDING COMMUNITY
EDUCATION AND TRAINING COLLEGES PUBLISHED IN GOVERNMENT
GAZETTE NO. 43078 OF 6 MARCH 2020**

I, Bonginkosi Emmanuel Nzimande, Minister for Higher Education, Science and Innovation, in terms of section 15 of the Interpretation Act No. 33 of 1957 read with section 23 of the Continuing Education and Training Act, 2006, (Act No.16 of 2006), hereby give notice publish the amendments to paragraphs 37 and 38 of the National Norms and Standards for Funding Community Education and Training Colleges, published by notice in Government Gazette No. 43078 of 6 March 2020, as set out in the Schedule.

Implementation of the amendments will be effective from date of publication of this notice.

A full set of the amended National Norms and Standards for Funding Community Education and Training Colleges is also accessible on the following website of the Department www.dhet.gov.za.



DR BE NZIMANDE, MP
MINISTER FOR HIGHER EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND INNOVATION
DATE: 20/08/2023

SCHEDULE

NATIONAL NORMS AND STANDARDS FOR FUNDING COMMUNITY EDUCATION AND TRAINING COLLEGES

37. CET colleges largely serve the poor and disadvantaged students and must not charge fees for formal academic and non-formal programmes. Students enrolling in formal academic and non-formal programmes may not be denied access based on the inability to pay fees. They must be fully funded by the State in those programmes. (Formal academic programmes are planned educational interventions that are intended to lead to full or part-qualifications. These are AET Levels 1 to 4 programmes. Non-formal learning is planned educational interventions that are not intended to lead to full or part-qualification).
38. State funding does not apply to students enrolled through partnerships and fee-for-service. These students are eligible to pay fees and no cross-subsidisation must take place from the State funds. Student fees are an important income stream for colleges.