

Immigration Law Client Alert

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E-ALERT FOR EDUCATION PROVIDERS

Dear education provider,

As you may be aware, the Federal Government has embarked on wholesale reforms in regard to the *Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000* (ESOS). All education providers providing services to international students must meet new registration criteria by the end of 2010.

The *Education Services for Overseas Students Legislation Amendment Bill 2010* requires a risk management approach when considering whether to recommend that an approved provider should be registered.

Providers must clearly demonstrate their capacity to provide education to a satisfactory standard (including by having an appropriate business model and access to adequate financial resources and such like).

Our specialist Immigration Law team has substantial experience in the regulatory requirements that international education providers must meet.

Our team can advise and assist you on the re-registration requirements including the criteria relating to:

- demonstration of principal purpose of education;
- provision of education to a satisfactory standard; and
- matters relevant to financial capacity and standing.

We also advise and assist you to meet the requirements of:

- accreditation of courses;
- student welfare;
- agent agreements; and
- ensuring compliance with the National Code and Standards.

Please contact Maria Jockel or a member of our Immigration Law Services Team.



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