Quality in careers education and guidance

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Defining career guidance

"Career guidance supports individuals and groups to discover more about work, leisure and learning and to consider their place in the world and plan for their futures... Career guidance can take a wide range of forms and draws on diverse theoretical traditions. But at its heart it is a purposeful learning opportunity which supports individuals and groups to consider and reconsider work, leisure and learning in the light of new information and experiences and to take both individual and collective action as a result of this."



CAREER GUIDANCE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

CONTESTING NEOLIBERALISM

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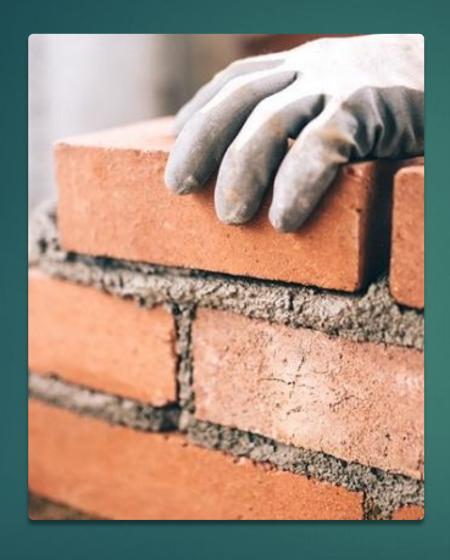


In the pandemic career guidance remains critical

- Work is disappearing
- Work is changing
- Work-life balance is shifting
- ▶ Transitions are becoming more difficult
- Many people are going to have to make career shifts

People are going to need help to deal with these things.

That is where career guidance comes in.



Career guidance has to be part of reconstruction strategies



How can we be sure that it is good enough?

Domains of quality



Policy



Organisation



Process



People

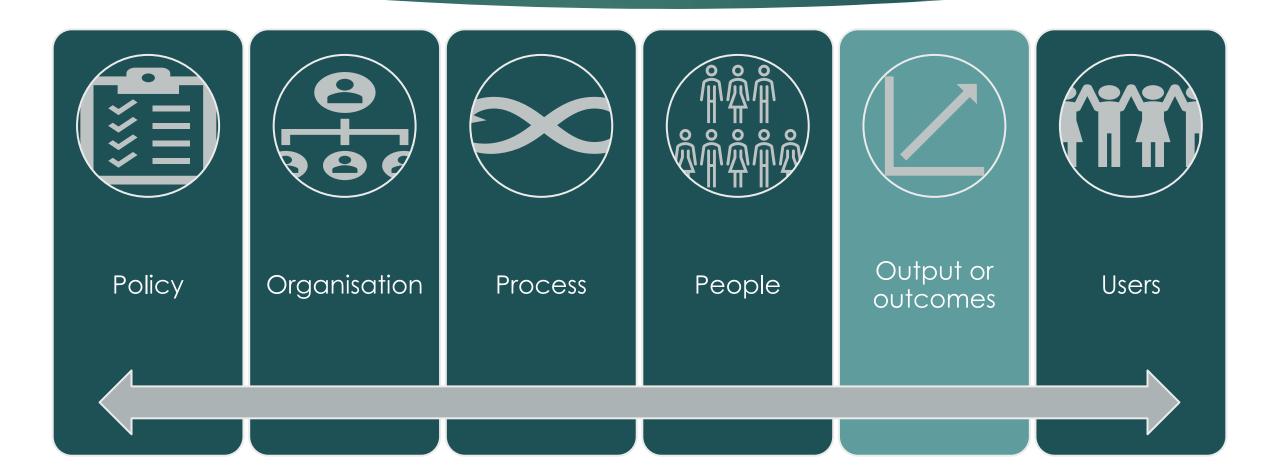


Output or outcomes



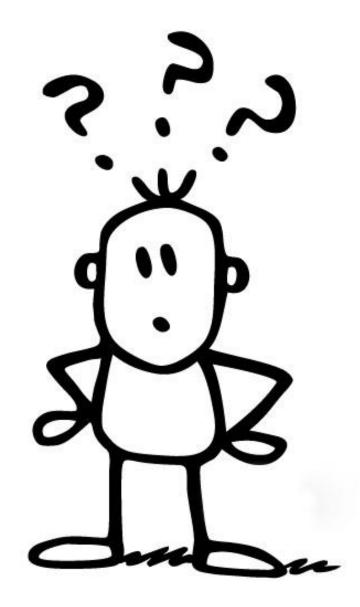
Users

Domains of quality



What do you want people to learn?

- Just as with all subjects career learning needs to define what you want people to learn.
- Without an idea of the aims of learning, you can't start thinking about how you will teach and develop students.



Career management 'skills'

FOR CAREER DEVELOPMENT

What is the Blueprint?

The Blueprint is a framework for creating, strengthening and evaluating career development programs and products for young people

The Blueprint identifies eleven career management competencies that help people to manage life, learning and work from childhood through to old age.

It also contains processes for planning, implementing and evaluating career development programs and resources.

www.blueprint.edu.au

Who can use the Blueprint?

The Blueprint is particularly useful for people developing comprehensive career development programs and products.

It is currently being used by teachers, human resources staff, career development practitioners and many others to:

- · Develop, monitor and evaluate career development activities,
- · Map existing initiatives and coordinate future initiatives,
- · Specify learning outcomes that are clear and measurable,
- · Communicate with other service providers using a shared language and operating framework,
- · Articulate people's entitlement to services.
- · Identify resources that facilitate the development of career management competencies, and
- Facilitate connections and seamless movement between service providers.

The Competencies

AND WORK

CAREER

EXPLORATION

The competencies promote intentional career development, lifelong learning and life/work balance. There are eleven competencies, across three learning areas:

PERSONAL MANAGEMENT Build and maintain a positive self concept

- Interact positively and effectively with others
- Change and grow throughout life
- Participate in lifelong learning supportive of career goals
- Locate and effectively use career information
- Understand the relationship between work, society and the economy
- Secure/create and maintain work
- Make career enhancing decisions
- Maintain balanced life and work roles
- Understand the changing nature of life and work roles
- Understand, engage in and manage the career building process

























Understanding your personality, interests and values is key to making the right career decisions. SELF

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talents, skills and

STRENGTHS



Identify who can help you, and how, in your

NETWORKS



Framework for careers, employability and enterprise education

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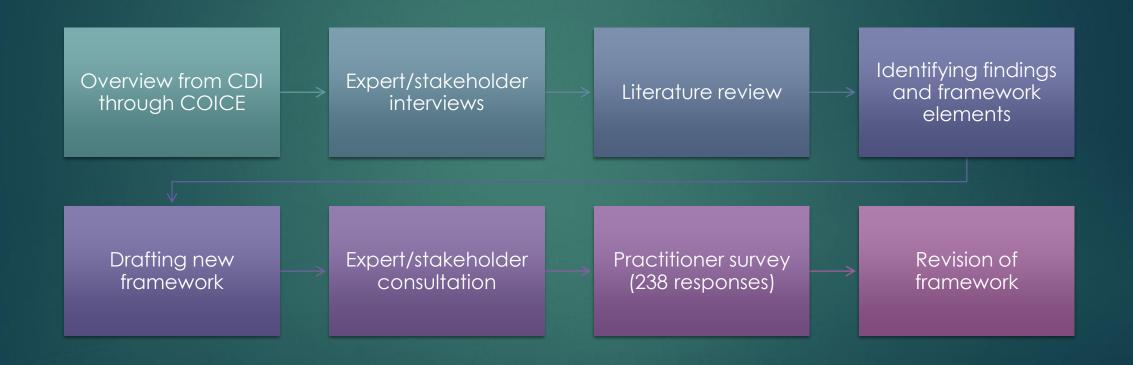


CDI framework

Why do we need a framework?

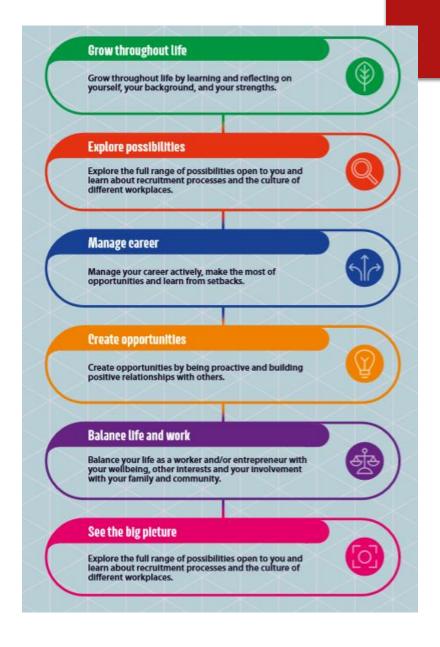
- Clarifies what individuals need to know.
- Provides a unifying framework of outcomes for all career education and guidance.
- Serves as a curriculum for careers education
- Provides a basis for negotiating interventions into the wider curriculum.

The development process



The new CDI framework

- Grow throughout life
- Explore possibilities
- Manage careers
- Create opportunities
- Balance life and work
- See the big picture



See the big picture (post-16 example)

Students need to see the big picture by paying attention to how the economy, politics and society connect with their own life and career. In the post 16 phase this should include:

- evaluating different media, information sources and viewpoints and reflecting on the best way
 to get information for their career
- exploring and responding to local and national labour market trends
- exploring and responding to trends in technology and science
- exploring and responding to the relationship between career and the environment
- exploring and responding to the relationship between career, community and society
- exploring and responding to the relationship between career, politics and the economy

Where next?

Publication and implementation

Development of more resources

Exploring rolling this out across the lifecourse

Implications for Wales

- Career guidance matters
- Quality assurance needs to be multi-facted
- A career development framework (specifying learning outcomes) is a key part of the picture
- The CDI framework is available either as an off-the-shelf tool or as inspiration for a more bespoke approach

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