Program Update

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Trade: Automotive Service Technician (AST)

To
ITA Training Providers
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Subject
Transition to Harmonized Program

From
ITA Program Standards

Effective Date
September 1, 2017

Information
On February 27, 2017, ITA Program Standards issued OPSN 2017-002, which detailed the changes to the AST Program as a result of the Harmonization Initiative and announced the implementation of a revised Program Outline, effective September 1, 2017.

A transition plan has been developed in consultation with the 14 public post-secondary institutions that deliver the AST program. We evaluated a number of scenarios, and the transition plan outlined below was identified as the best option. We have also ensured that there are options for all current apprentices to complete their apprenticeship. For details, please refer to Automotive Service Technician Transition Plan May 2017, posted on the ITA website.

ITA has begun a communication initiative that will ensure that all apprentices, employers, and other internal and external partners are aware of the changes to the program. Please be aware that the transition plan will be re-evaluated and updated as needed over the next four years.

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