

## ILR R10 data recording checks required by ESFA funded institutions for the 2016 to 2017 academic year

It is important for all institutions funded by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) to carry out data recording checks each year. After reviewing ILR R10 data returns we have highlighted some checks to consider for the academic year 2016 to 2017 in the short note below.

If you have any questions, please contact us using our online enquiry form.

## ILR 2016 to 2017 check in respect of 19+ continuers shown in Row E on EFA funding claim report (this check does not apply to sixth-form colleges)

All 19 + continuing students are only funded at sixth-form colleges for 2016/17 under the 16 to 19 funding model. We show these students on row E of the EFA funding claim report for 2016/17. For all other types of funded institutions, the students must have their "source of funding" code changed from the "EFA source (107)" to "SFA source (105) so they are included in adult funding returns for 2016-17.

## Advice for the 2017 to 2018 academic year (applies to all institution types)

From the academic year 2017/18 students who started programmes aged 18 in the first year of their programme but who are aged 19 or over on the 31 August 2017 (known as 19+ continuers) now fall under the 16 to 19 ESFA funding methodology. This is a change from the academic year 2017/18.

It is important therefore that institutions do not change the source of funding code in the ILR from ESFA young people study programme funding code (107) to the ESFA adult funding code (105) as has been the case in the previous years.

This advice is also set out in the following ESFA 16 to 19 funding guidance documents:

<u>Funding guidance for young people</u> 2017 to 2018: Funding regulations – paragraphs 39 – 41

<u>ILR Funding returns</u> – Annex D (the detail is different between 2016/17 and 2017/18)

## 2016 to 2017 Data recording check for students aged 19 to 24 with a learning difficulty assessment (LDA) (all institution types)

We show students aged 19 to 24 with an LDA in row D of the EFA funding claim report. We want to identify from the final ILR data for 2016/17 all ESFA funded students that are in receipt of an agreed education health and care (EHC) plan.

We are aware that some students with an LDA had not completed the EHC plan assessment process by the start of the funding year. It may be that some of the students flagged as in receipt of an LDA at the start of the year now have an agreed EHC plan. Please check these fields and update your ILR data before making your ILR R13 and R14 data returns to us.