

COVID Apprenticeship FAQs

Boosting Apprenticeship Commencements

No.	Question	Answer
1	What is Boosting Apprenticeship Commencements?	<p>This subsidy allows for eligible direct employers and host employers (using a Group Training Organisation) to apply for a reimbursement of 50% of wages paid to eligible apprentices who were taken on, on or after 5 October 2020.</p> <p>The subsidy can cover wages between 5 October 2020 and 30 September 2021, to a maximum of \$7,000 per quarter.</p>
2	What businesses are eligible to access this wage subsidy?	<p>Employers of any size, or industry, Australia-wide who commence an Australian Apprentice between 5 October 2020 and 30 September 2021 may be eligible.</p>
3	How do I apply for this subsidy?	<p>You will need to apply to your Australian Apprenticeship Support Network who will provide you with a <i>Boosting Apprenticeship Commencements Registration Form</i> during sign-up of your new apprentice.</p>
4	I am already receiving another Australian Government wage subsidy for my apprentice. Can I still access this one too?	<p>No. If the apprentice is receiving another subsidy (e.g. Supporting Apprentices and Trainees, JobKeeper, JobMaker Hiring Credit) you can not access this one. If you are eligible for multiple, you will need to decide which one best suits you.</p>
5.	Is there a limit on apprentices I can claim this subsidy for?	<p>Employers can receive the subsidy for any number of apprentices/trainees, however limits may apply if your new apprentice was an existing worker who is <u>not</u> commencing a trade-based apprenticeship.</p> <p>There is an overall cap of 100,000 apprenticeship positions that this subsidy can apply to.</p>