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Foundations of HEMIS 2016

Valpac issues identified by Universities

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Purpose of this session

The purpose of this session is to **discuss and clarify issues** related to the South African *Higher Education Management Information System* (HEMIS) and related aspects.



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Reporting of non-aligned programmes

- Main stream programmes are normally HEQSF aligned.
- How should other options that are not aligned be handled?



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Possible extension of due dates for Foundation Provision Grants and AIMS

Due to HEMIS second submission that is due 30 April the HEMIS AND Foundation Provision Grants and AIMS tremendous pressure on HEMIS offices.

Therefore:

- Consider extension of Foundation Provision Grants (which also needs to be audited) of 30 April as this puts tremendous pressure on HEMIS offices.
- Consider extension of AIMS due date of 15 May as this puts



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Audit of student registrations

SQLVALPAC COURSE REGISTRATION FILE:

The table below sums up the main checks which must be made in the course registration file. The notes below the table describe in more detail certain aspects of these.

Data element	Checks to be made
064 attendance mode for course	SQLVALPAC data correspond with student's signed application and or registration forms or an audit trail of an online registration.
018 funding status	The student is a bona fide student of the institution and is not registered for the same course by another public institution, as part of a collaboration agreement.
030 course code	SQLVALPAC data correspond with student's signed registration and/or change-of-course forms or an audit trail of an online registration.
032 course completion status	SQLVALPAC data are consistent with institutional examination or other records
051 examination-only indicator	SQLVALPAC data are consistent with institutional examination and registration records
001 qualification code	SQLVALPAC data correspond with student's signed application and or registration forms or an audit trail of an online registration.



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Acknowledgement of Short course modules in Formal qualifications

- Is it permissible/allowed to acknowledge Short Learning Programme modules for Formal Qualifications/Programmes?
- If permissible is there a maximum, e.g. 50%?



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Foundation reporting

- In particular the form that must be completed and the definitions for the different points.
- The information must come from the HEMIS-information and I would like to get clarification about this.



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Reporting of 3rd order CESM category

- In particular the reconciliation between the information requested on the DHET application form, the major areas as submitted to HEQC and the major areas as they appear in the PQM.
- In some cases on the DHET-form, we were informed that we don't have to code down to third order as you then don't always get the required 50%. Then what should appear on the PQM?



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SQL Server Valpac software issues

- Some aspects still not working well:
- Installation issues
- Problems with some reports
- Zipping of files for submissions



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- The terminology is contradictory as it is not so much a legacy indicator as an HEQSF indicator. Either a name change or field value reversal would make more sense.
- As always, it would be great if the Help documentation can reflect this.



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Other issues/discussion?



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