Training Format

**Workshop One – Beginning to Explore**

This is an introduction to the career journey. We explore a range of intelligence types and how this can help us understand our child’s skills, interest, abilities and learning styles. We look at the job guide, careers assessment tools and resources and discuss how we can encourage and support our child’s career exploration.

**Workshop Two – Career and Transition Services**

This workshop is an introduction to post school options and supports. The workshop includes information about work education, Transition to Employment, Vocational and Tertiary Education and Training and Employment Options.

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**DATES FOR 2013**

**SkillsPlus Ltd**
1236 Nepean Hwy
CHELTENHAM
6.30pm to 8.30 pm
**Wednesday 13 & 20 February 2013**

**SkillsPlus Ltd**
44-48 Robinson Street
DANDENONG
6.30pm to 8.30 pm
**Wednesday 27 February & 6 March 2013**

**SkillsPlus Ltd**
31 Playne Street
FRANKSTON
6.30pm to 8.30 pm
**Thursday 14 & 21 February 2013**

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

**Enquiries**
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Have you spoken with your child about life after school? Do you know where to start? Would you like to participate in a conversation that helps you to help your child begin to explore their future choices?
Q. How up to date is your knowledge about current career options?

Q. Would you like to be better informed to help your son or daughter plan for their future?

Q. Do you want to know about education, training and employment options available to them?

PACTS is a series of workshops and resources developed to provide parents with up-to-date information about career transition that enables them to support their teenager when they are making career transition decisions.

Young people with a disability or medical condition can benefit from well informed career support and guidance in the home.

These workshops aim to provide basic information to bridge the gap between what parents did when they left school (which is what they often base their advice on) and what the options are when leaving school now.

PACTS (Parents as Career Transition Support) is a series of information and education workshops that provide an interactive, informal and enjoyable way to learn about career transition.

**Time:** 2 x 2 hour workshops including breaks

**Delivery method:** Relaxed workshop and discussion

**Cost:** Free to parents and schools

**Target audience:** Parents and carers of a child with a disability or medical condition aged 14 plus.

*2003 Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) Survey of Disability, ageing and carers (SDAC
*National Inquiry into Employment and Disability
*Disability expectations: Investing in a better life, a stronger Australia, PWC, 2011

* In 2003 only 30% of people with a disability completed year 12 compared to 49% of people without a disability

*53% of people with a disability and 15% (profound/severe Disability) were employed compared to 81% employment of people without a disability

45% of people with disability live in or near poverty compared to OECD average of 22%.