

## Second Patch for Learning Aims

Although our first patch has resolved all issues for many schools there are still some that have not felt confident enough with the outcome to submit their Census Return. This second patch, patch 15831, is specifically design to raise confidence in the Learning Aim content of the Return so that schools can proceed. We will make this patch available ASAP. The follow is a list of the issues dealt with by this patch.

### **QAN/Discount Codes Removed from the Catalogue**

Where the DfE has removed a QAN/Discount Code combination from it QAN Web Site, Learning Aims with that QAN/Discount Code was also removed from the Return. This patch makes such Learning Aim records visible in the Update Learning Aims panel. We cannot display normal details for such QAN/Discount Codes as this is not available from the QAN/Discount Code Catalogue, but instead we have added "Description not found" to the Description column of the table. We have also modified the Compare with Autumn and the Compare with Course Manager to display "Description not found" and the On Role Learning Aims Report and the Leavers Learning Aims Report to display "Description does not exist"

Where "Description not found" appears for a Learning Aim record previously sent in error, no further action is necessary. However, where these appear for normal Learning Aim records the school should go to Maintain Course and replace the defunct QAN/Discount Code with the replacement the DfE has provided. See list below for the list of replacement provided by the DfE.

### **Duplicate Learning Aim Records**

Duplicate Learning Aims records can arise when schools attach the same QAN/Discount Code to more than one Course. There are circumstances where using QAN/Discount Code in this way is legitimate, e.g. a separate course for retake students, but where it is used for courses that have the same students it cannot be the correct allocation of QAN/Discount Code and will result in duplicate Learning Aims for those students. This duplication can get very complicated when the duplication also occurred for the Autumn Census and/or involves QAN/Discount Code combinations that the DfE has removed.

This patch will remove all duplicates from the Update Learning Aims panel and from the Return that is generated. Schools can check for duplicates by running the Compare with previous Autumn report.

### **Learning Aims above Level 3 where students are Taught in a Year below 12**

The DfE specification is ambiguous when dealing with pupils with Year Actual below 12 who have Learning Aims above Level 3. In place it specifies only Level 3 and in another Level 3 or above. We realise that this issue will be of interest in very few schools, but we have included a modification so that Learning Aims above Level 3 are included in this situation.

### **Patch 15831**

This patch includes the changes already provided via patch 15811. This has been done to help schools that have not applied that patch 15811 and need the latest improvements as well as these earlier improvements.