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Unemployment may have dropped marginally during the past month but now is still a crucial time to be thinking about your career and your options for the future.

Celebrations for National Career Development Week (NCDW) start on Monday, including events around the country that aim to encourage all Australians – regardless of their age and career status – to take responsibility for managing and developing their own career journey.

An initiative of the Career

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Industry Council of Australia, NCDW is in its third year and forms part of a larger, year-long plan.

Campaign manager for NCDW, Caroline Jones, says the term "career" should encompass lifestyle and learning as well as occupation.

"NCDW is for everyone: people wanting to learn new skills, people anxious about the future or wanting to do something else and younger people who are still planning their careers," Jones says.

The NCDW website, ncdw.com.au, has links to almost 500 events, as well as

career advice, information and resources.

NCDW runs from May 18-24.

