



NATIONAL CAREER DEVELOPMENT WEEK 2009

"Get excited, get involved and get results!"



What is National Career Development Week?

National Career Development Week (NCDW), an initiative of the Career Industry Council of Australia (CICA) is now in its third year. In 2009 the week of celebrations of all the registered careers activities held throughout the year, will be from 18 – 24 May. NCDW is funded by the Federal Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR).

NCDW aims to promote awareness of career development and encourages all Australians to develop the skills to manage their careers, learning, work and lives in order to get the life they love.

What is career development? And why is it important!

It's a lifelong process of managing progression of learning and work. It enables individuals, at any age and at any point throughout their life, to make educational, training and occupational choices and to manage their careers.

The underlying impact of career development (*OECD 2004*) is that it contributes to:

- Life long learning
- Social equity
- Labour market development.

Are you planning career development activities for your organisation for 2009? These activities might include careers expos, staff development seminars, open days, industry visits, community activities, etc. Whatever your careers event(s) - the NCDW website provides "event ideas", "how to" information and "resources" to assist you.

Register your event on www.ncdw.com.au (or if it's easier to remember www.aussiecareerweek.com) and receive the free Event Kit containing the "How to" disc with video tips from event organisers, Fact Sheets, Templates and other promotional resources to help you organise your event and to use as giveaways to your staff or at your events.

During 2008, over 580 events across Australia were registered on the website. Use the Event Search for ideas for your next event.

We encourage you to visit the website to research the benefits of career development for your organisation.

Get Excited about the possibilities, *Get Involved* and help Australians to plan for their future and *Get Results!*

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