



# NATIONAL CAREER DEVELOPMENT WEEK

"Career development – making career choices easier!"

## Stepping Stones to your future - what comes after school ...

### STEP 1. Who are you?

Think about yourself:

- Your interests
- Your values
- What are you good at?
- What do you enjoy doing?
- What skills do you have?
- What environment do you want to work in?
- Do you want to study full time, part time or later?
- What type of personality are you?
- Do you know what you want to do?
- Your needs.

### STEP 3. Making decisions - use Steps 1 & 2 to make your decision

Looking at who you are and what options are available for you can help you to decide:

- Your next step
- How to get there
- Implications on your life
- Funding
- Short term & long term goals.

Resources to assist you include:

- Job Guide  
<http://jobguide.dest.gov.au/>
- Myfuture  
<http://www.myfuture.edu.au>

### STEP 2. Be aware of your options?

**Work -**

- Explore the occupations that interest you
- Research the industries in which you would like to work
- Research where the vacancies are.

**Further Education -**

- Explore your study options (university, TAFE or other), courses offered, entry requirements, cost of courses, etc

**Training -**

- Apprenticeships, Cadetships, traineeships, on-the-job training, etc

### STEP 4. Doing it

**Getting a job -**

- Job Search - look for vacancies
- Prepare your application/ resume
- Prepare for an interview.

**Further Education and Training –**

- Complete your application for your chosen course.

### Things to remember:

- You are surrounded by people who can assist you – teachers, careers advisors, VET coordinators, parents, family friends, university/TAFE course coordinators, professional associations, etc
- Do your research
- Do what YOU want – not what your friends are going to do.