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Dear Framework Employer Organisation,

Changes to Salisbury Apprenticeship Framework S10353 – Extension Period

As you will be aware, the current National Apprenticeships Framework expires for new employer contracts on 31st March, 2025.

Given the current uncertainty around both the legislative landscape for levy paid education, and also the delays to the new Procurement Act implementation, we have decided to enact the extension clause contained within the Framework Agreement, with the effect of extending the framework for employer call-offs until **31st March 2027** (a two year extension).

To clarify, individual employer contracts may extend beyond that point, and all contracts remain live for learners on programme until the last enrolled learner completes.

The fact we will be in an extension period does mean a number of changes to how the framework operates however :

- The last framework opening for new suppliers to apply will be February 2025, advertised as usual at <https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Search> No new suppliers will be admitted to the framework after the February 2025 opening.
- Where an employer contract starts 10353-xxxx this will extend automatically to 31 March 27 for new call-offs, employers can specify a longer contract period on the order form by listing the relevant planned cohorts,
- Where an employer contract starts 3xxxx-xxxx these will go to end of life on a rolling basis from the original signature date plus four years.
- End of life 3xxxx contracts will be automatically replaced with a 10353-xxxx contract when Salisbury receive the order form for new enrolments. These will be valid for new enrolments up to 31.03.27 unless a longer period is specified when completing the order form.
- We will no longer issue a six monthly course listing update, and have moved away from publishing a course listing to employers. Instead, **providers have been advised to list their courses on <https://findapprenticeshiptraining.apprenticeships.education.gov.uk/>**. This is

provider self-service, and not a website Salisbury manage. We will continue to publish a framework guide and supplier listing available to employer organisations.

- Suppliers will continue to be suspended automatically on publication of an Ofsted report below the minimum criteria.

The live supplier listing, and all employer guides and resources will continue to be available for employers on <https://future.nhs.uk/SalisburyApprenticeshipEF> for both the Apprenticeship and the CPD / Non-Levy Education frameworks.

We would also like to thank all our employer partners for working with us.

Yours faithfully

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For and on behalf of
Salisbury Managed Procurement Services