Schools with Overseas Students What Does the New ESOS Code Mean for You?

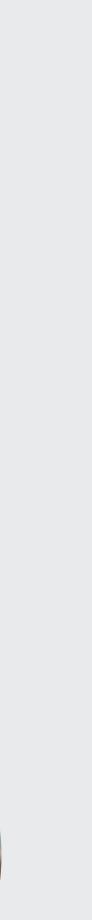


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Our Vision

The Current Situation for Schools with Overseas Students

The Development of the New 2018 National Code

The Impacts of Changes to the National Code

CompliSpace's Overseas Students Module





To simplify risk, compliance and policy management so schools can focus on their core purpose.



The Situation

5000 non-government CRICOS registered schools





compliance points to meet CRICOS registration

The ESOS Framework

Federal Legislation and Regulation + ESOS Act National Standards + ESOS Regs **ESOS** National State-Based Requirements Migration Act Code 2018 State and Territory Acts & Migration Regs ELICOS Regs Standards 2018 Refund Spec

Additional Guidelines & **Evidence Requirements**





ESOS Framework Administration



Australian Government

Department of Education and Training



Australian Government

Tuition Protection Service



Australian Government

Department of Home Affairs





Victorian Registration & **Qualifications** Authority



Department of Education and Training

CRICOS Registration

Phase 1



State or Territory Regulator Assessment and Recommendation

Phase 2



Federal Assessment and Registration





CRICOS Registration



State or Territory Regulator Assessment and Recommendation

Phase 2



Federal **Assessment and Registration**

Initial Registration

New National Code

Timeline of February 2017 to January 2018



Consultation draft out for comment

Feb 2017 Proposed changes to code **April 2017** Repealed 2007 Code, released 2017 Interim Code

September 2017

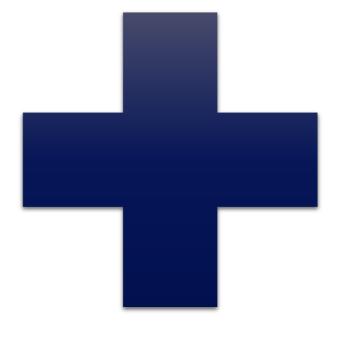
2018 National Code Released

January 2018

2018 Code in effect, no transition period

Impacts of the 2018 National Code





Fewer Standards

More Compliance Points



Increased Transparency



Short Turnaround for Compliance

A Closer Look at the 2018 National Code



4 Parts (A, B, C and D)
15 Standards



Major Structural Changes 2 Parts (A and B) 11 Standards

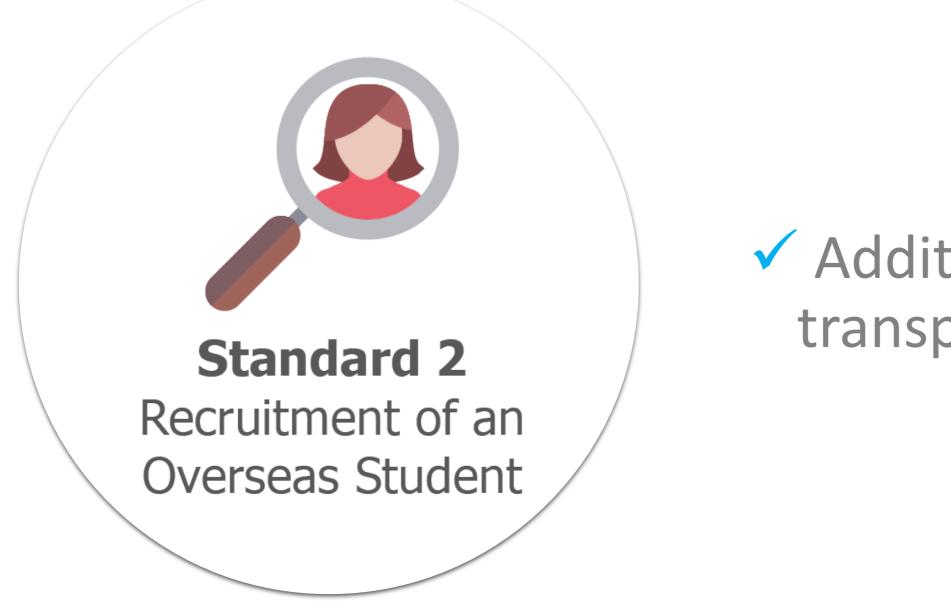
Standard 1: Marketing Information and Practices



- Improvement in transparency
- Increase in disclosures
- Increased focus on Australian Consumer Law



Standard 2: Recruitment of an Overseas Student



Additional disclosure requirements to increase transparency



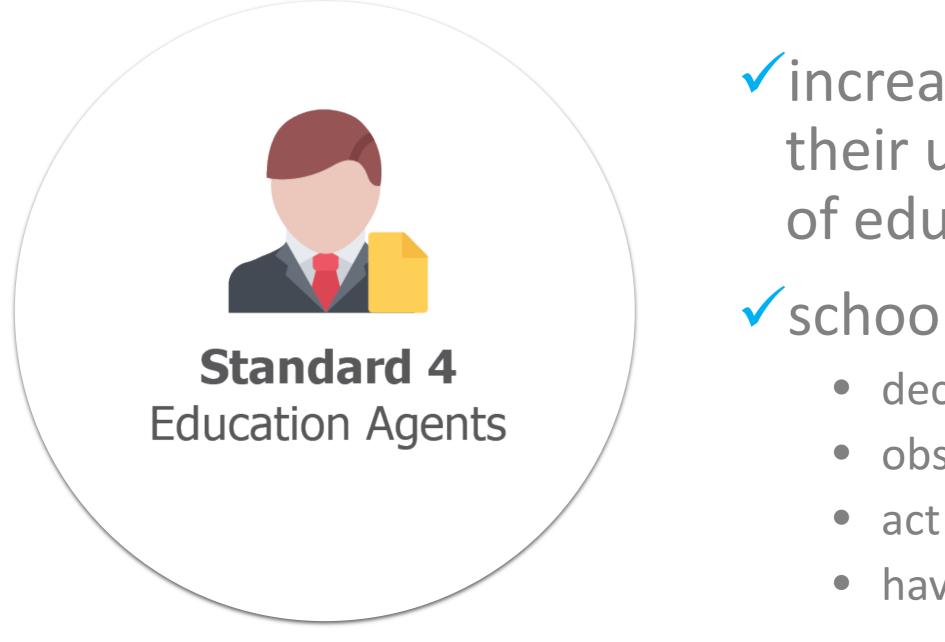
Standard 3: Formalisation of Enrolment and Written Agreements



- Ensures information is provided to students before and at the time of enrolment
- Increase in transparency to set a higher bar for minimum info required



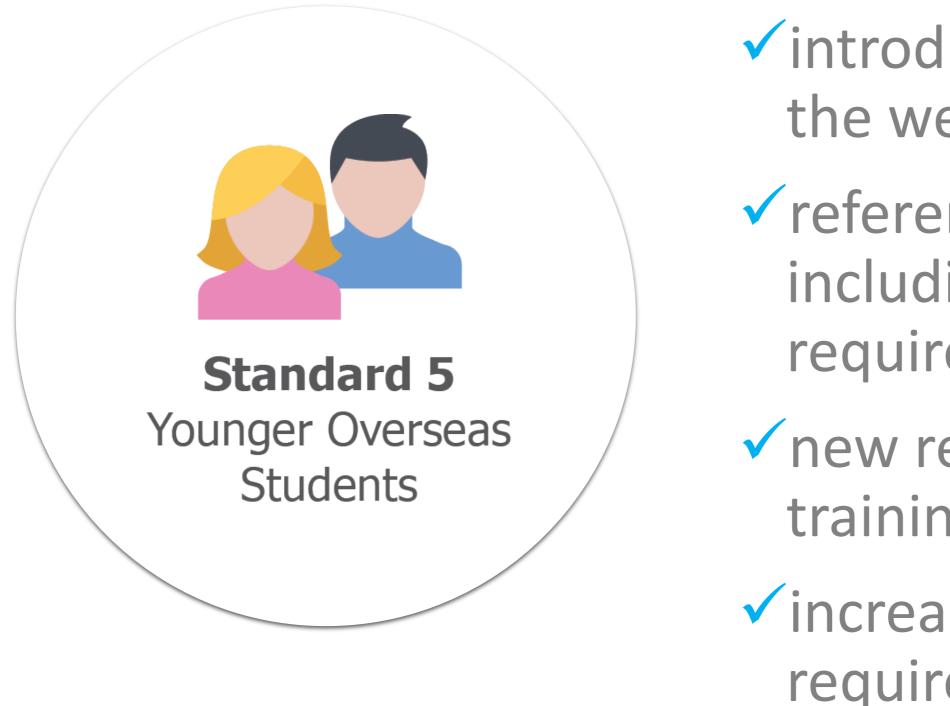
Standard 4: Education Agents



- increased requirements on schools in relation to their use, monitoring and reporting on the actions of education agents
- schools must require their agents to:
 - declare and avoid conflicts of interest
 - observe appropriate levels of confidentiality and transparency
 - act honestly and in good faith, and in the student's best interest
 - have knowledge of the international education system



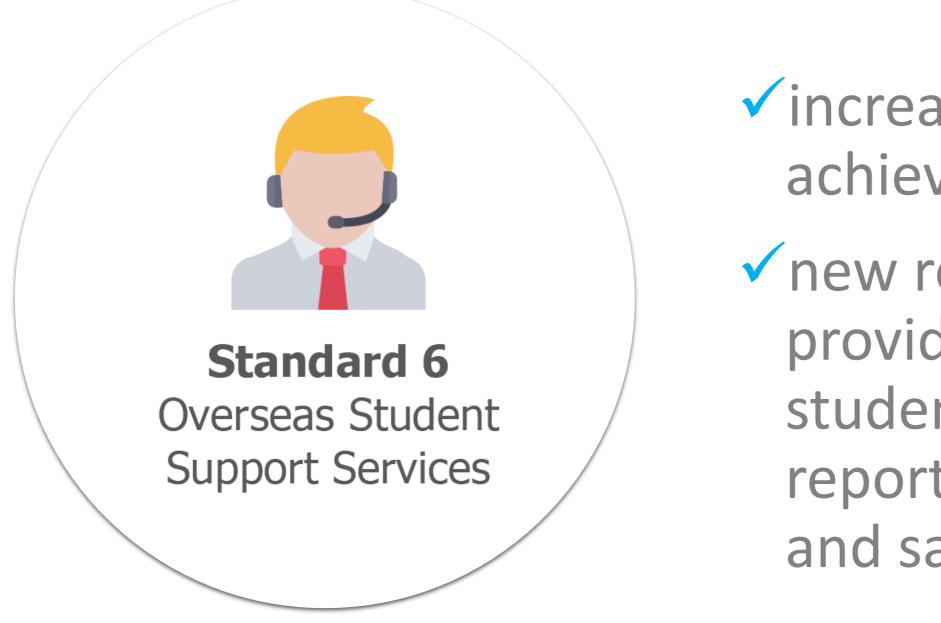
Standard 5: Younger Overseas Students



- introduction of additional measures to strengthen the welfare of younger overseas students
- references to other regulatory requirements, including state and territory child protection requirements
- new requirement to provide child protection training to students
- increased accommodation approval and verification requirements for schools



Standard 6: Overseas Student Support Services

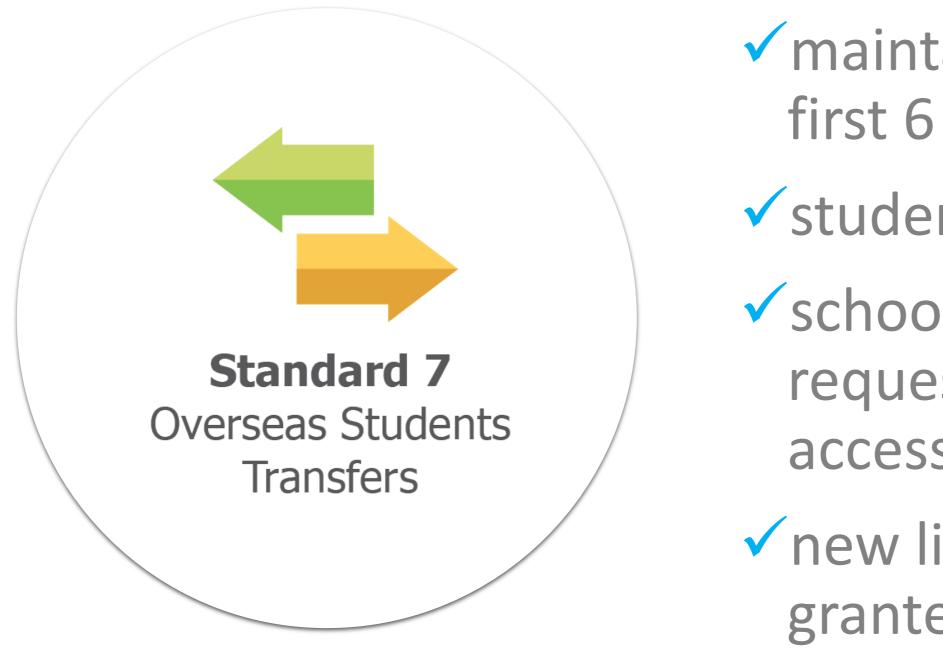


- increased requirements for supporting students to achieve expected learning outcomes
- new requirement to take all reasonable steps to provide a safe environment on campus and give students information on seeking assistance and reporting incidents impacting on their wellbeing, and safety and awareness relevant to life in Australia





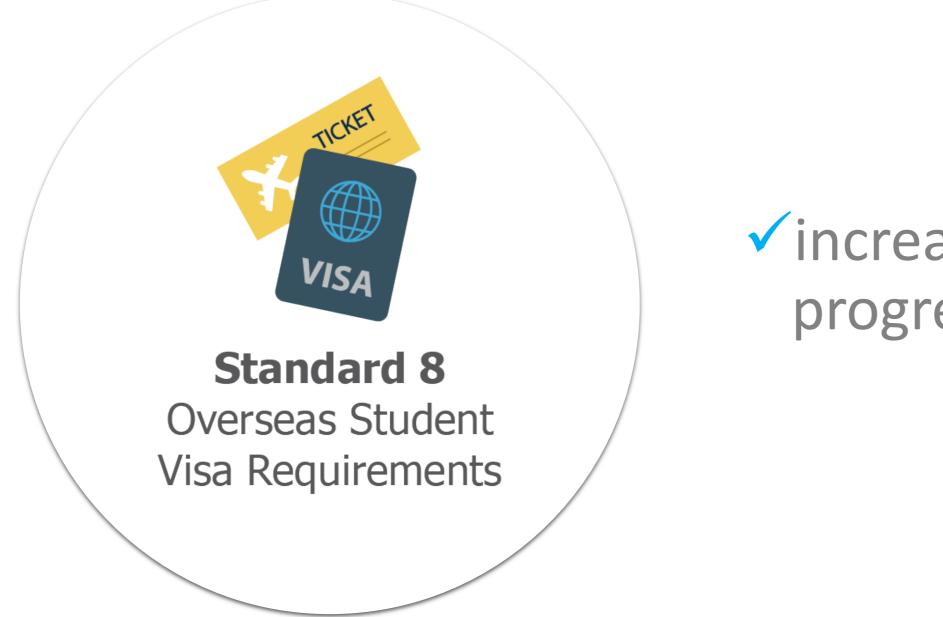
Standard 7: Overseas Student Transfers



- maintains restriction on students transferring in the first 6 months, but adds key exceptions
- student transfers now to be recorded in PRISMS
- schools are no longer permitted to finalise transfer requests until the student has had a chance to access the school's complaints and appeals process
- new list of circumstances where transfer should be granted to students



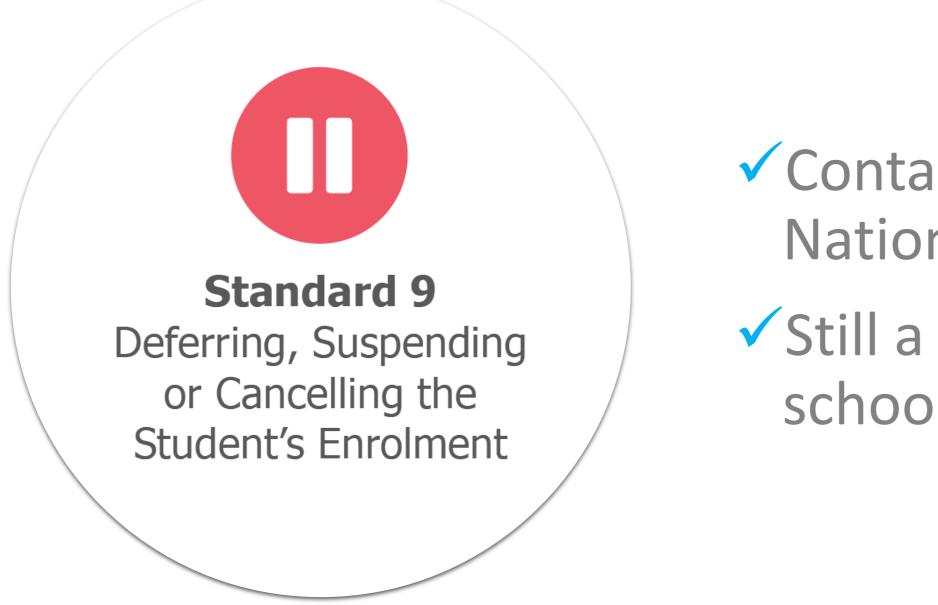
Standard 8: Overseas Student Visa Requirements



increased requirements for monitoring student progress, attendance and student visa requirements



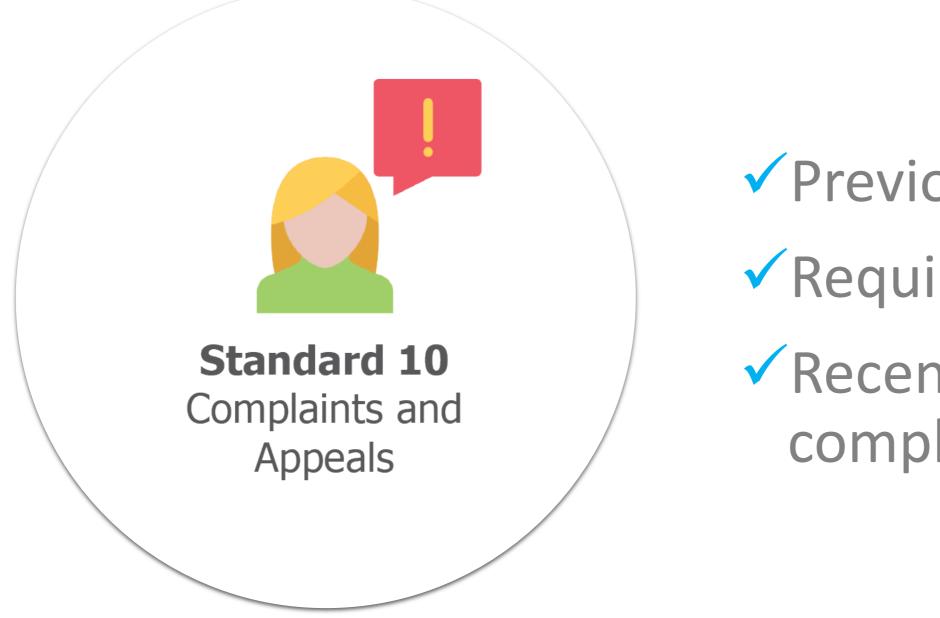
Standard 9: Deferring, Suspending of Cancelling the Student's Enrolment



- Contains no significant changes from the 2007 National Code
- Still a complex area of the National Code that schools need to review



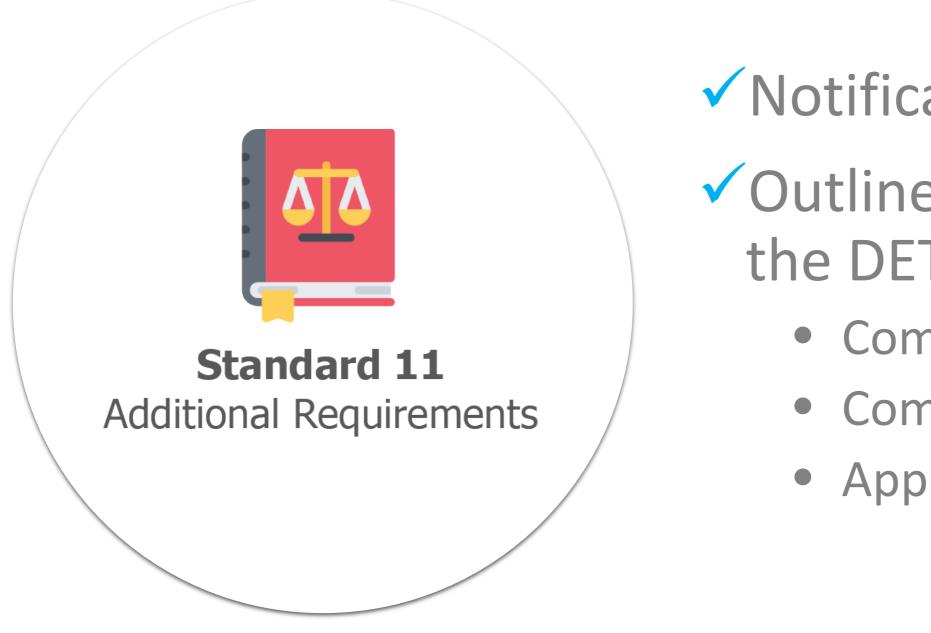
Standard 10: Complaints and Appeals



- Previously Standard 8 in the 2007 Code
- Requirements largely the same
- Recent push for all schools to increase their complaints handling practices



Standard 11: Additional Registration Requirements



- Notifications to be made to the Cth DET
- Outlines what a school must be able to demonstrate to the DET for the purposes of registration, for example:
 - Compliant course duration periods
 - Compliant modes of delivery
 - Appropriate number of overseas students for the school





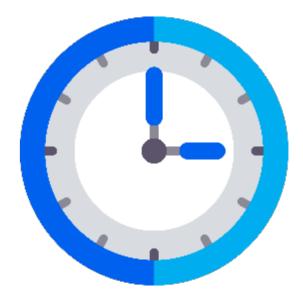
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What are the REAL Impacts of the 2018 National Code?





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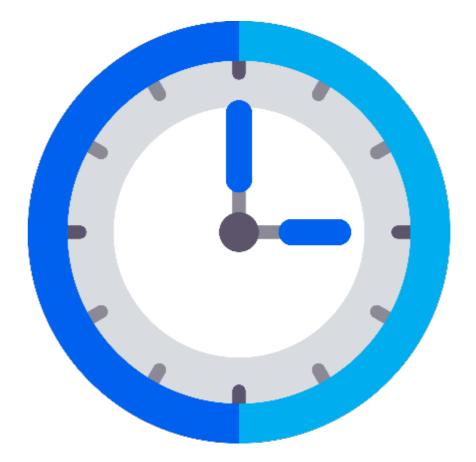


Real Impacts of the 2018 National Code



Stress

Expense

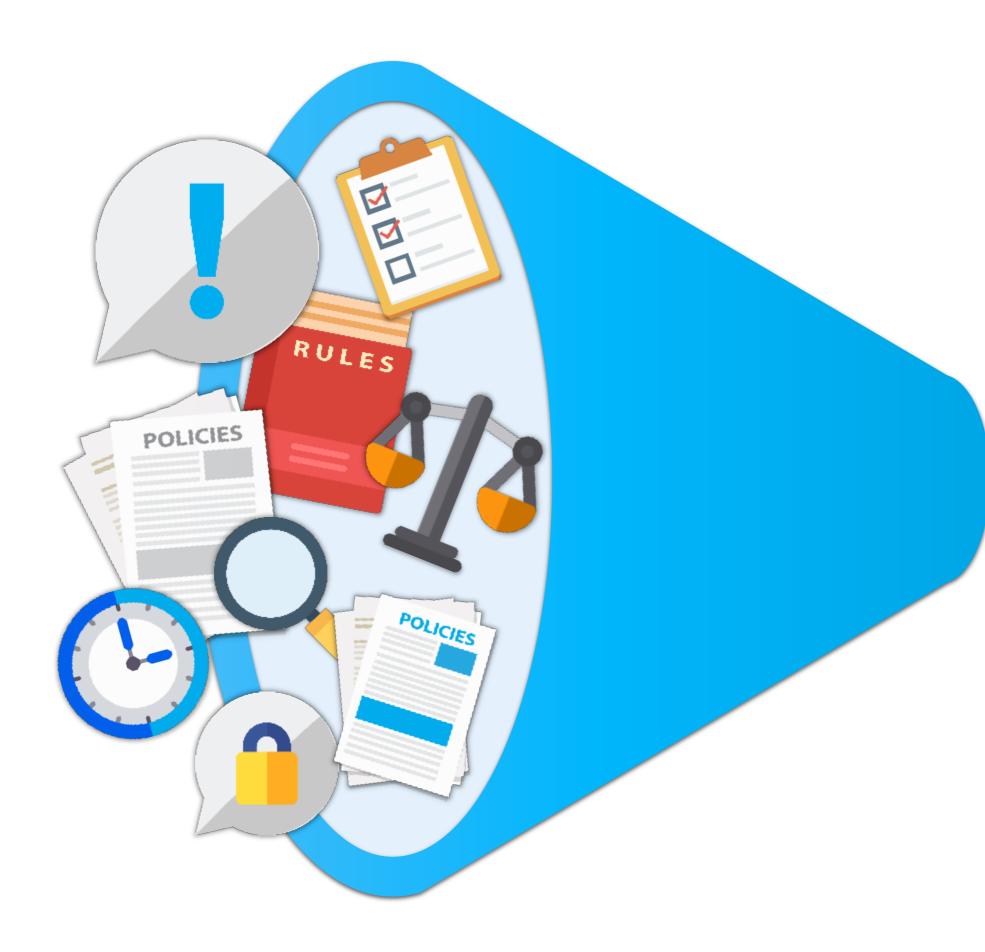




Time

To-Do's

Development of an Overseas Students Program



Overseas Students Program



 Aimed to fix a compliance headache for schools

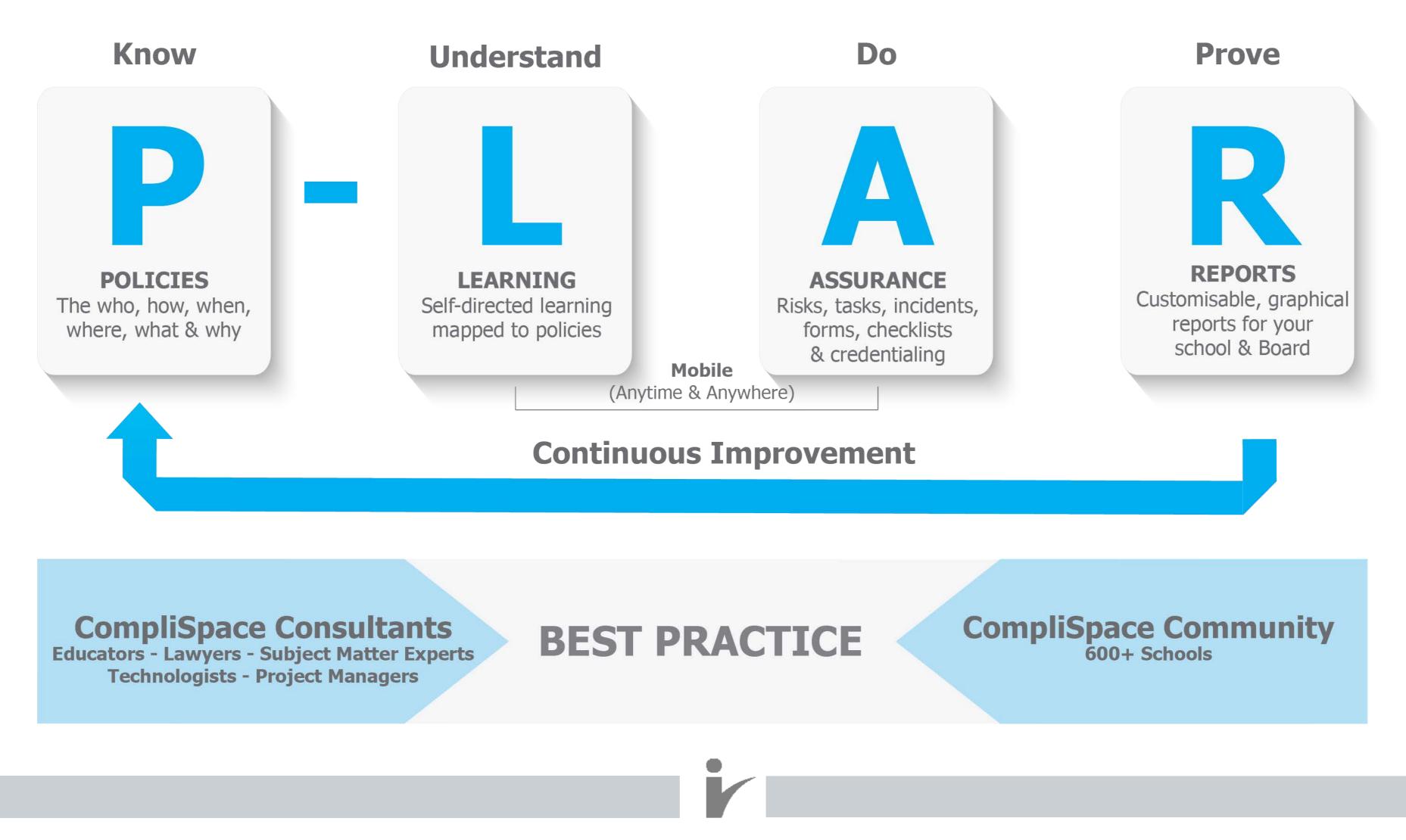
 Took into account relevant laws, regulations, standards and guidelines

✓ GRCP package for schools to take and run with



Policy to Culture

Keeping you up-to-date with your legal obligations whilst helping you manage change in your school.





1. Take action now

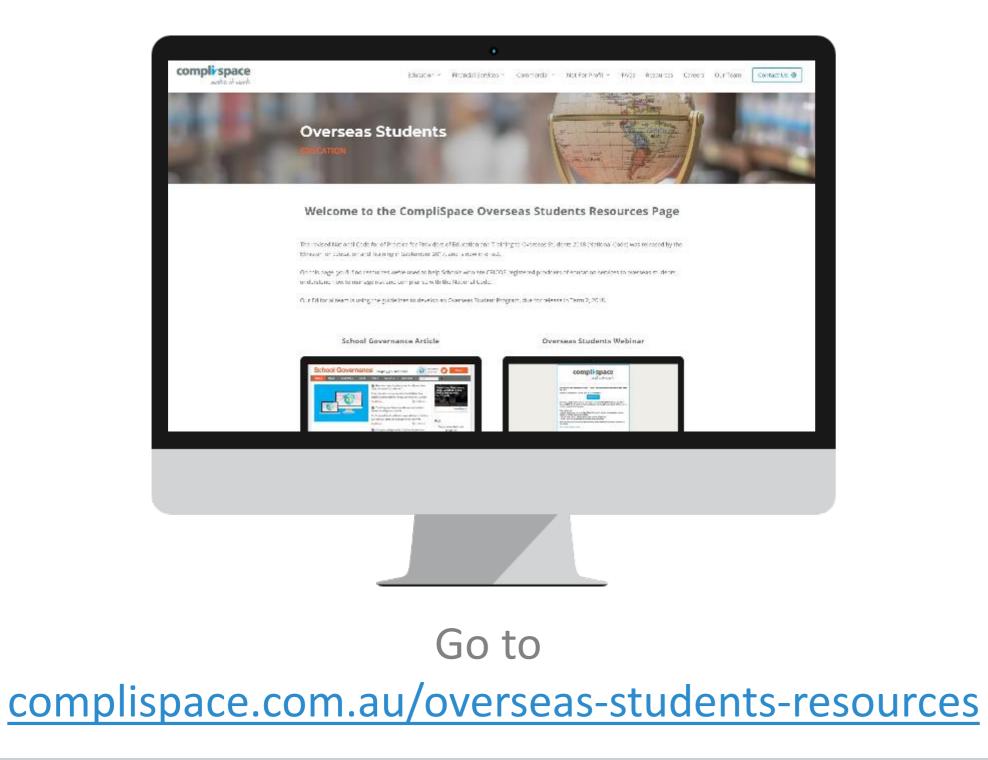
- 2. Compliance doesn't work in a vacuum
- 3. Real benefits, at a real cost
- 4. The Code is already in effect
- 5. Change is incremental, not a revolution

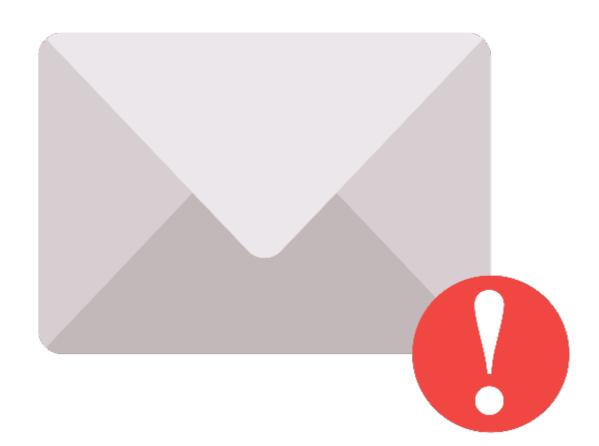


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