



Welcome to the **November 2009** edition of the OCNWMR e-Newsletter.

As part of our commitment to continually improve and expand our Training Programme, we are pleased to announce the launch of a new course: "Standardisation in Practice". This will be offered for the first time on 10 December. The article below provides additional information about this continuing professional development opportunity, including details of how to book a place.

We also feature two articles on Functional Skills: "Introduction to NOCN Functional Skills Assessments" and "Functional Skills Pilot". The first provides information about workshops NOCN is organising for all NOCN Recognised Centres involved in the national QCDA functional skills pilot. The second provides an update on the pilot and invites Centres not already participating in this important initiative to consider joining.

The article "New NOCN Recognised Centre Handbook" refers Centres to the new version of the NOCN Centre Handbook which is now available on the NOCN website.

Finally, we are pleased to welcome organisations that have recently become NOCN Recognised Centres:

- Indigo Training Solutions Ltd.
- Peak Pursuits
- Zenipher Training Ltd.
- Vale of Evesham School

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With best wishes,
Christine Assheton
 CEO

General



► **New OCNWMR Training Course**

Friday, 30 Oct 2009

We launch our new Standardisation in Practice course

News

▶ **Introduction to NOCN Functional Skills Assessments**

Wednesday, 28 Oct 2009

Free workshops for all Centres using NOCN functional skills

News

▶ **Functional Skills Pilot**

Tuesday, 27 Oct 2009

OCN Centres invited to join national pilot

Update

▶ **New NOCN Recognised Centre Handbook**

Monday, 26 Oct 2009

Centres are reminded to use latest version of the NOCN Centre Handbook

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