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MEMBER ADVICE Mature Age Employment Opportunities

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Summary

- Introduction of \$1000 Jobs Bonus to employ mature age Australians
- Starts 1 July 2012
- Opportunities to be a Corporate Champion of mature age employment

Jobs Bonus

The Federal Budget 2012 announced additional assistance for older Australians looking for work. A Jobs Bonus of \$1000 will be available to employers who recruit an eligible mature age job seeker aged 50 years or over. The Jobs Bonus will be paid after the job seeker has been employed for 13 weeks.

To be eligible employers are required to offer a genuine, ongoing employment opportunity that meets the necessary standards for pay and conditions.

The Jobs Bonus will be available from 1 July 2012. Further information is available on the Experience + website www.deewr.gov.au/experienceplus

Corporate Champions

Corporate Champions are employers who make a public commitment to move toward better practice in employing mature age people. Corporate Champions receive a package of tailored support to help them achieve the better practice standards outlined in the 'Investing in Experience' Employment Charter http://www.deewr.gov.au/Employment/Programs/Exp Plus/Employers/Documents/EmploymentCharter.pdf

Further information

Ai Group has been working with a number of Corporate Champions and employers wanting to become involved should contact Michael Taylor, Policy and Projects Manager, on (03) 9867 0134 or mtaylor@aigroup.asn.au

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