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## Regulator cancels qualifications issued by Premier Training Institute

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The Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) has announced its intention to cancel 434 sham qualifications and statements of attainment issued to 277 individuals by former training provider Premier Training Institute Pty Ltd (PTI).

ASQA cancelled PTI's registration as a provider of vocational education and training (VET) in March because of its critical non-compliance with the national training standards. ASQA contends that the company was issuing qualifications and statements of attainment without providing legitimate training.

This behaviour is not the typical 'non-compliance' detected by ASQA during its regulatory work, where training organisations are actually providing training and assessment but are not fully meeting their regulatory obligations.

After reviewing the provider's assessment records, ASQA has decided to cancel all qualifications and statements of attainment issued by PTI because it believes the holders of the qualifications have not been properly trained and assessed.

ASQA has endeavoured to contact - by post and email - the individuals involved using details contained in the provider's files and information from the Queensland security licensing body.

It is important that anyone who received a qualification and/or statement of attainment through PTI read and understand the information sent to them.

The cancellation of the qualifications and/or statements of attainment is not automatic – individuals have the opportunity to submit evidence and information to ASQA as to why their qualifications should not be cancelled.

However, should ASQA proceed to cancel the qualifications and statements of attainment, individuals who still desire to be credentialed will have to regain their qualification through another training provider.

Any student who has received a qualification from PTI and has not received a letter should immediately contact [qualifications.review@asqa.gov.au](mailto:qualifications.review@asqa.gov.au) or the ASQA Info Line on 1300 701 801. Anyone who would like more information can visit [www.asqa.gov.au/students/premier-training](http://www.asqa.gov.au/students/premier-training).

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