## ANNEX A

## Factsheet on SkillsFuture Mid-Career Enhanced Subsidy

1. In line with the objectives of SkillsFuture to support and encourage lifelong learning and help Singapore Citizens (SCs) stay responsive to a changing workplace, and in recognition that mid-career individuals may face greater challenges in undertaking training, the Singapore Workforce Development Agency (WDA) will implement enhanced course subsidies for mid-career individuals from 1 October 2015. This was announced by the Deputy Prime Minister Tharman Shanmugaratnam, Chairman of SkillsFuture Council, at the Singapore Budget 2015.

## SkillsFuture Mid-Career Enhanced Subsidies for SCs Aged 40 and Above

2. With effect from 1 October 2015, SCs aged 40 and above will enjoy enhanced subsidies of up to 90% of course fees for WDA-supported certifiable courses. (shown in <u>Table 1</u>). More than 8,000 courses will be eligible for the enhanced subsidies (see Table 1).

**Table 1: Eligible Courses** 

Eligible Courses	Targeted at Rank- and-File Level	Targeted at Professionals, Managers & Executives (PME) Level
Courses offered by	Up to 90% of course fee	S
WDA-appointed		
Continuing Education		
and Training (CET)		
Centres		
Certifiable Courses	Up to 90% of course	Up to 90% of course
approved by WDA	fees, capped at	fees, capped at
	\$25/hour	\$50/hour

3. Eligible individuals under the Workfare Training Support Scheme will continue to receive 95% course fee funding support.

Table 2: Summary of WDA Course Fee Subsidies Effective 1 October 2015

Eligible Courses	All Singapore Citizens and Permanent Residents	Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) - sponsored Singapore Citizens and Permanent Residents <sup>1</sup>	Singapore Citizens aged ≥ 40 years²	Singapore Citizens aged ≥ 35 years and earning ≤ \$1,900/month <sup>3</sup>
Courses offered by WDA- appointed CET Centres	Up to 90% for Rank-and-File (RF) level courses  Up to 70% for PME level courses	Up to 90%	Up to 90%	95%
Certifiable Courses approved by WDA	Up to 80%, capped at \$17/hour for Rank and File level courses  Up to 50%, capped at \$15/hour for PME courses	Up to 90%, capped at \$25/hour for RF courses and \$50/hour for PME courses		95%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Under the Enhanced Training Support For Small & Medium Enterprises Scheme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Under the SkillsFuture Mid-career Enhanced Subsidy.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Under the Workfare Training Support Scheme.