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The Principal Line of Learning in Hair and Beauty

Edexcel is confirming to centres that they are **withdrawing from offering the Principal Learning qualification in Hair & Beauty** from **September 2009**.

Edexcel and **VTCT** had previously undertaken to jointly brand and offer to Edexcel centres the VTCT Principal Learning specification. However, given the lower than anticipated take up by centres in this line of learning, Edexcel has decided that it is appropriate for centres to make registration directly with VTCT rather than with Edexcel at this time. Centres are therefore being informed that they should register, access support, and receive examination papers and certificates directly from VTCT. **Edexcel recommends VTCT as the provider of Principal Learning in Hair and Beauty Studies** and for consortia to use the Edexcel Diploma suite of qualifications for the rest of their Diploma component needs.

Edexcel will continue to offer all other lines of learning and these are unaffected by this change and centres should continue to register for the Project, Extended Project, Functional Skills, ASL (and the overarching Diploma) as they would normally do so.

VTCT are confirming that the qualifications, costs, assessment and moderation processes will remain unchanged and **Nic Robinson, VTCT Director of Business Development** can be contacted at VTCT by centres at www.vtct.org.uk.