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Adult Education Budget Technical Guidance Note

2019/20 academic year

This note provides technical guidance to AEB Providers on monitoring codes in the ILR that can be applied to GLA-funded learning delivery, and how they should be used, for those who prepare data returns, implement data specifications and design systems.



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Purpose of the document

Key change for recording full funding of GLA initiatives

A new DAM Code 023 has been introduced, the purpose of which is to enable providers to selectively bypass specific ILR validation rules, to enable them to be fully funded for learning delivery that would otherwise be co-funded or unfunded.

The use of DAM code 023 removes the need for Providers to calculate and record the Other Funding Adjustment Factor, i.e. OtherFundAdj can now be left blank. The Full or Cofunding indicator field can now also be accurately recorded.

For GLA funded learners, this new DAM code may be used by providers in 2019/20, where the use of the OtherFundAdj field has capped funding for an individual learner so that the increased funding available under a GLA initiative has not been made fully available.

In these circumstances, a provider may remove the OtherFundAdj value, recode the FFI field to 1 for fully funded and use DAM code 023 to bypass ILR validation, as set out in the following table:

| ILR Field | ILR code OFA method | ILR code method for capped funding | Notes |
|--------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| DAM | 009 or 010 | 009 or 010 | GLA fully funded BSL or Low Waged learner |
| FFI | 2 | 1 | Full or Co-funding indicator |
| OtherFundAdj | OFA factor | null | OFA Factor not required for alternative method |
| DAM | null | 023 | Prevents ILR validation error |

There is no requirement for providers to recode the ILR for learners or learning delivery where the increased funding available under a GLA initiative has not been capped in 2019/20.

Use of the FFI for full funding without using DAM code 023 will result in an ILR error, where GLA funding eligibility criteria are different to those applied by the ESFA.

Use of this revised method for claiming full funding will only apply to the two GLA initiatives eligible for full funding in the 2019/20 academic year: British Sign Language qualifications and Low Waged learners. For more detail on these initiatives please consult the GLA AEB Funding and Performance Management Rules relevant to your provision.

If DAM code 023 is used in 2019/20 outside of this guidance the GLA will not pay for any associated learning activity, and a data validation issues report will be generated.

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