

MBIE communication to currently-funded interpreters – 19 March 2025

Deadline: Interpreter Standards Transition Support Package ending 30 June 2025

Kia ora koutou | Greetings

This communication is for interpreters who have an open application for NAATI certification and a current entitlement note issued by MBIE.

Below we specify **activities you must complete by 30 June 2025** to receive support under the Interpreter Standards Transition Support Package (ISTSP) funded by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE).

If you have already done these things, you do not need to take any action.

Booking a NAATI test

You must book a test date for your NAATI test/s funded by MBIE by 5pm (New Zealand time) on 30 June 2025. You can find the test/s MBIE has agreed to fund in your entitlement note from MBIE. The next available test date will likely be after 30 June 2025, but you must have made the booking by then.

If you have not booked your test/s by 5pm (New Zealand time) on 30 June 2025, NAATI will close your application, and you will not have your test/s funded by MBIE. MBIE will not honour any outstanding entitlement notes after that time.

How to book a test:

1. NAATI will need to receive your training evidence and process your application before you can book your test date. If you haven't submitted your training evidence yet, please email your transcript or completion certificate to info@naati.com.au as soon as possible.
2. Log in to your myNAATI account and select "Manage my tests".
3. Select your test date.

If you have trouble booking a test date, please contact info@naati.com.au as soon as possible.

Booking NZSTI workshops

NZSTI runs regular workshops to help you prepare for your NAATI test. These range from a focus on one topic (note-taking or interactional management) to comprehensive 8-hour test preparation workshops.

Interpreters with a valid MBIE entitlement note and an active application for NAATI testing may book and attend NZSTI's workshops for free until 30 June 2025.

Please note that workshops held after 30 June 2025 will not be funded by MBIE. You will be charged NZSTI fees (member, non-member, etc.) to attend any workshops after this date.

To view and book a test preparation workshop, visit NZSTI's website: nzsti.org. If you have any questions, please email info@nzsti.org