

# An Adapted Mastery Approach and Contextualised Curriculum for Functional Skills Qualification Level 1 Multi-arm Trial FAQs

*Please note, this document is updated regularly as we receive questions.*

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## Intervention Delivery (Treatment Group Only)

Q: How flexible are we permitted to be with the delivery of the lesson materials?

A: As long as you deliver 1.5 hours for each lesson (the minimum course length for Mastery is 15 weeks and 12 weeks for Contextualised) then additional content is allowed.

Q: Will the resources be given by you?

A: Yes, the providers in the treatment group will receive the training materials and teaching materials to deliver the interventions. The teaching material will be provided by Education and Training Foundation.

Q: What are the training requirements for teachers?

All teachers in the treatment group must attend the pre-trial online training (4 x sessions) and 2-hour weekly Lesson Study sessions during the trial. There are 15 sessions for Mastery and 12 sessions for Contextualised. Teachers must attend 80% of these Lesson Study sessions.

## Eligibility

Q: We enrol learners on a roll on / off basis - will they still be able to be part of the trial?

A: Yes, to be eligible you must deliver Level 1 Functional Skills Maths classes to adults for a minimum of 12 weeks but it can start at any point from September 2024 and end within the academic year. Please let us know in your [registration form](#) which cohorts you would like to sign up.

Q: Is there a minimum cohort size?

A: There is no minimum, but the trial does not suit 1:1 learning.

Q: How many teachers can be involved from one organisation?

A: All teachers who are eligible for the trial may be involved. Ideally, two or more teachers per organisation would participate.

Q: We don't have lots of Level 1 learners, but more Level 2. Is there a minimum number of Level 1 that are needed?

A: There is no minimum number but please let us know the number of teachers and number of learners you expect via the registration form.

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Q: If an organisation has already been part of the Mastery Approach training from CfEM, how would this affect being part of the trial?

A: You can still take part in this trial. Please speak to someone from the Multiply Research Project Team to register your interest: [multiply@etioglobal.org](mailto:multiply@etioglobal.org)

## General

Q: How long will the whole project last?

A: It will start in September 2024 and results will be available from the evaluation in 2025.

Q: Can you apply for multiple trials?

A: Yes, you can apply to any of the trials you are eligible for. Find out more here:

<https://multiply.etioglobal.org/current-trials>

Q: By what date will you be able to announce whether a provider is in the control or treatment group?

A: Randomisation into control and treatment groups will be on a rolling basis between June and September 2024. You must have signed your trial contracts to undergo randomisation.