

# Industry Specific Contracts for the HMMS Industry

The NSW HMMS State Council is pleased to present an industry specific Contract to the Home Modification and Maintenance Services (HMMS) industry in NSW. This Contract has been designed to minimise HMMS risk and liability when undertaking building works with a value of more than \$1,000.

Developed by the NSW HMMS State Council in conjunction with Sydney law firm DLA Piper, the industry specific Contract has been designed to meet all variable situations which can occur in the HMMS industry in NSW. It has been specifically designed to accommodate the following:

- The three-tiered level system i.e. Levels 1, 2 & 3
- Contractor and sub-contractor arrangements
- Varying auspicing arrangements within the HMMS industry
- Defined Contractor roles and responsibilities with built-in rectification orders to protect both the client and the HMMS

The NSW HMMS State Council has created the industry specific Contract to assist HMMS to comply with statutory responsibilities as outlined by the Office of Fair Trading for all work requiring contracts with a value of more than \$1,000 and to reduce the amount of claims made on rectification work under the Quality Assurance Program.

Much time and resources have been invested to ensure the Contract adequately covers all work completed by HMMS in NSW. The Contract is a significant resource which will value add to HMMS's documentation in client files and reduce HMMS exposure to liability.

To assist HMMS with the implementation of the Contract, Phil Zuber, Technical and Training Officer, NSW HMMS State Council will be providing training at upcoming HMMS Regional Meetings in 2011.

## TRAINING DATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Metro Southeast and Southwest	26/07/11
Metro North	03/08/11
Metro North West	09/08/11
Hunter and Central Coast	11/08/11
Riverina Murray	23/08/11
Far North Coast and Mid North Coast	01/09/11
Central West and Orana Far West	13/09/11
Illawarra and Southern Highlands	14/09/11
New England	TBA

Please advise your HMMS Regional meeting Coordinator of your attendance at the HMMS Regional Meeting for venue and catering purposes.