

2. Who needs technical information on the NLRD, and where can this be found?

High level specialist knowledge of the NLRD would be required by the following:

- Suppliers of data to SAQA: this would include all ETQAs which have to upload information to SAQA.
- Individuals in education and training organizations who are responsible for Management Information Systems: for example, those concerned with computer systems policies and practices, computer security policies and practices, and provision of learner information and auditing in specified formats.

Providers are given guidelines on how to submit their data by their respective ETQAs. For ETQAs and other data suppliers, SAQA provides the data-testing tool Edu.Dex. The website www.nlrinfo.octopus.co.za gives technical information on NLRD requirements, such as the following:

- NLRD Load Specifications
- Minimum Standards for Data Loads
- NLRD Look Up Tables
- Provider List on the NLRD
- Edu.Dex User Manual
- Edu.Dex Installation Manual
- Updating Edu.Dex Level 2

Unit 3 of Module 6 of the NQF Support Link gives a specialized option for understanding the data management and storage processes of the NLRD. An overview of what you will cover if you enrol for this Unit is given under Useful Background Information on the main NLRD page

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