



## **PLC Government Levy**

The Department of Education and Science has introduced a new additional charge for all participants on PLC courses starting in September 2011. This new charge is a **PLC Government Levy**.

Any learner who enrolls on an approved PLC course is eligible to pay the €200 Levy upon registration in September 2011.

The contribution is an annual contribution. Eligible participants on PLC courses of more than one year's duration must pay the contribution for each year of that course.

The amount of this new charge is €200 for the 2011 –2012 academic year. This charge is additional to other costs which apply to your course such as exam fees, student services charge, textbooks etc.

### **Exemption from €200 PLC Levy**

The following categories of participant are exempt from paying this additional Levy: -

- 1 Full medical card holders in their own right and their dependent children.
- 2 Those who are eligible under the student grant scheme.
- 3 Those in receipt of the Back to Education Allowance (BTEA) or Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme (VTOS) allowances.

In order for you to be deemed exempt from payment of the €200 programme participant contribution, you must supply documentary evidence that you fall into one of the exempt categories listed above. **This evidence must be provided by you on Registration Day which will be early September 2011.** Details of your **Course Registration Date** will be posted to you once your application to the College is complete.

**The exemption referred to here applies only to this new €200 PLC Government Levy**