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**Colleges Scotland: Comment on publication of SFC Outcome Agreements 2014-15**

Today the Scottish Funding Council (SFC) published the outcome agreements which set out what colleges will deliver in return for their funding.

John Henderson, Chief Executive of Colleges Scotland, commented:

“The agreements show colleges continue to punch above their weight and deliver on the targets set for them, even in the midst of major reform and financial pressure.

“We’re also seeing improvements in the outcomes for learners. Course completion rates are up again this year for both further and higher education students.

“A high proportion of people studying in colleges start with no qualifications at all, however colleges will, through the agreed outcomes, continue to improve access and participation especially for those from poorer backgrounds.”

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