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Mentors drive improved quarry exam results

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MinEx has described a large improvement in quarry managers' health and safety Certificate of Competence examination pass rates as "sensational".

WorkSafe announced yesterday that since last September, 21 of 26 B-grade quarry manager applicants passed their CoC oral exam, or more than 80 per cent. In the calendar year 2017, of the 76 B-grade quarry manager applicants who sat oral exams, 67 per cent passed, compared with 2016 when 40 per cent passed.

The extractives industry's health and safety council's CEO, Wayne Scott, ascribes much of the improvement to a new mentoring system for exam candidates, which MinEx initiated last year.

"These mentors, now dotted from one end of the country to the other, can all be extremely proud of the contribution they have made, and continue to make, in a sensational improvement in oral exam pass rates."

WorkSafe also said that in 2017, 81 per cent of oral exam CoC candidates in both A and B grade and other qualifications across the extractives industry were found competent.

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