



Welcome to our monthly newsletter.
Should you require further information on any of the topics covered,
don't hesitate to contact our team.



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Modern Manufacturing Initiative In October 2020, the Federal Government launched the Modern Manufacturing Strategy (MMS).

The \$1.3 billion Modern Marketing Initiative (MMI) is the centrepiece of the MMS. It is designed to help manufacturers to scale up, create jobs, drive collaboration and identify new opportunities to access domestic and global value chains.

Medical products – the second priority area – is now open, with Grants due to be lodged by March 29th.

The next four areas will open up over the coming weeks.



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Is your business eligible for JobMaker payments?

Is your business eligible for JobMaker? If you have engaged new employees since October 2020, or you want to employ new people, you could qualify for the hiring credits.

Talk to us about how to access the scheme and verify the payroll headcount increase.

Can your business claim the loss carry back offset?

Did your business make an income tax loss in 2020? You may be eligible for the loss carry back tax offset in this financial year.

Get in touch to see if your business qualifies and how to best use this refundable offset to generate cash flow.



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Female Founders Grant Program

The Federal Government Boosting Female Founders Initiative will run over five years from 2020-21 to 2024-25.

Grants will range from \$25,000 to \$480,000.

Round 2 opened on Monday 8th March 2021 and the deadline for initial EOI applications is 22nd April. Those shortlisted will then submit a full Grant Application.

Team Focus

We would like to introduce our Marketing and Debtors Manager Stephanie Penn.

Steph has been with Thorntons since February 2013 and whilst at work, her bubbly and infectious personality emanates throughout the office with her smile, laugh and banter.

Steph has been assisting clients with their accounts for a number of years now, and has recently become more involved with our Marketing endeavors.

Steph and her husband Gary run a small tree-logging business together.

Taking care of the bookkeeping side of things, Steph can certainly empathize with all our clients in the day-to-day running of a business.

At home, Steph not only looks after her two little boys Jackson and Oakley (and big boy Gary), but also houses forty-three chickens, one dog Nala and two alpacas - Coco and Bullseye!

In her spare time, Steph enjoys her bi-monthly book-club meeting's, spending time with her boys, and a delicious wine when she finally has time to put her feet up!



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