

# Key issues facing the flooring industry

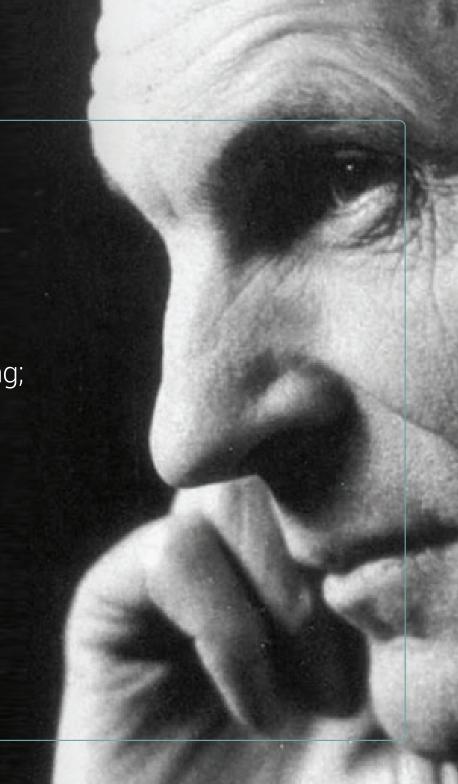


- Consistent quality of work in the service chain
- Numbers of installers
- Attracting and retaining apprentices and sales people



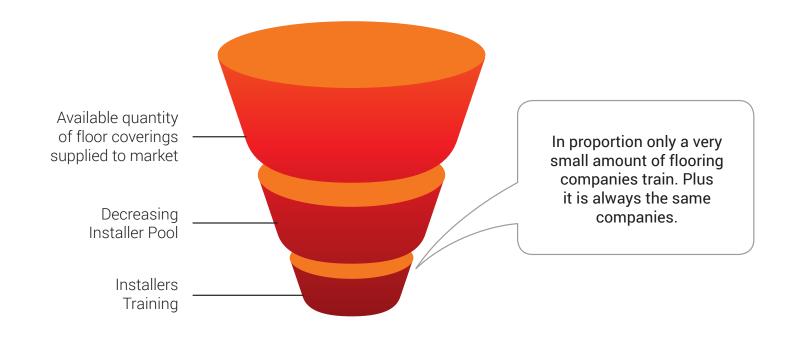
"Coming together is the beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success."

- Henry Ford





#### Installer Numbers



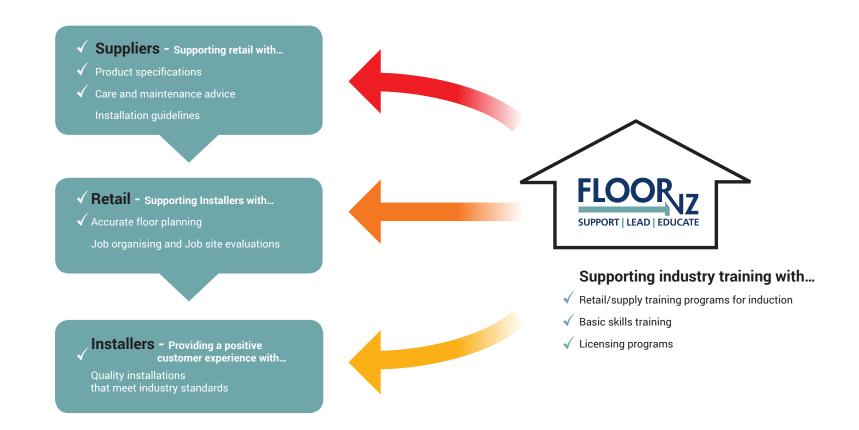




#### Basic Skills

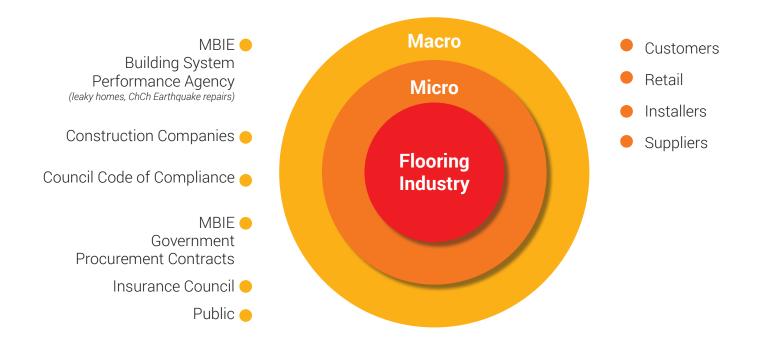
- Induction training for people wanting to enter the industry
- Trainees are registered as students with the ATI
- Training is a 12 week programme
- Made up of classroom training, self-paced learning, work placement
- Employers provide the work placement but don't pay the trainee
- Each trainee is assigned a mentor to assist with their learning
- Each trainee is assigned a workplace verifier to sign off their practical tasks
- At the end of the 12 week programme the employer can employ the trainee if the working relationship has been successful







## Forces influencing quality







# License Types

#### Criteria

1. Flooring practitioner with endorsements (skills recognition)

Under training (apprentice) someone who is trained in limited flooring work e.g. installing laminate flooring on floating method only, carpet tiles only etc.

2. Trade qualified NZ recognised qualification

Completed flooring apprentice with less than four to five years experience (floor covering type dependent).

3. Licensed flooring practitioner

Trade qualified with minimum four to five years total experience (floor covering type dependent) unqualified with minimum five years installation experience.



### **Endorsement Types**

- **A** Residential installation
- **B** Commercial installation
- **C** Resilient tile/plank
- **D** Vinyl wet area installation
- **E** Carpet tile
- **F** Overlay floor coverings (*floating*)

- **G** Moisture treatment systems
- **H** Apply resurfacing compound
- I Asbestos removal (flooring)
- **J** Industry assessment
- **K** Project management
- L Workplace trainer





#### What can Floor NZ do?

Over the next three years Floor NZ has a focus on improving quality and the number shortage in the flooring industry.

- 1. Developing key installation guidelines
- 2. Building learning materials
- 3. Building training and licensing programmes
- 4. Forming a working group to oversee and assist with projects



## What support do we need?

We are seeking industry contributions in 2018 to enable us to raise a minimum of \$160,000 to develop the learning materials we will need to support these programmes.

We are seeking contributions of:

\$7000

(Large companies)

\$3500

(Medium companies)

\$1500

(Small companies)



## Summary

We are seeking your support by both financial contribution and technical advice to:

- Develop training materials to support the Basic Skills Programme, the current Apprenticeship
- Develop the Basic Skills Programme
- Develop the Licensed Flooring Practitioner Programme