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Modification History

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| Release 1 | This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 3.0. |

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.

There must be evidence that the individual has:

- prepared and conducted non-surgical procedures for the administration of substances and the appropriate collection of samples on at least three animals according to organisational procedures
- prepared, used and cleaned the procedures area, materials, tools and equipment correctly according to organisational procedures and manufacturers' specifications
- documented procedures used in the administration of substances and collection of samples.

Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- anatomical terminology, structures and physiological features of animals relevant to the administration of substances and collection of samples
- basic animal first aid techniques
- biohazards in the workplace of significance to animals and humans
- ethical practices, protocols and procedures in relation to the administration of substances and collection of samples of animals in animal technology workplaces
- indicators of stress and wellbeing in animals, and methods used to measure, interpret and record objective measures of animal health
- information that should be documented related to the administration of substances, and collection of samples
- methods used to prepare, store and transport samples
- organisational policies and safe work procedures, including WHS and accident requirements
- personal protective clothing and equipment, and when and how it should be used

- key requirements of the Australian Code for the Care and Use of Animals for Scientific Purposes relevant to non-surgical procedures
- key requirements of relevant state or territory legislation and regulations relating to:
 - the practice of veterinary science
 - work health and safety
 - animal welfare and research ethics
 - use of therapeutic and controlled substances for role and work undertaken
- safe and humane animal handling techniques, including approved handling methods during the administration of substances and collection of samples
- adverse events and situations where the administration of substances or collection of samples should be stopped and reported
- tissue and fluid sample types and methods of collection
- organisational hygiene standards; disinfectants and cleaning agents, techniques, equipment and materials.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated in an animal technology laboratory or an environment which accurately represents workplace conditions.
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - a range of animals.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103>