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# **HLTPAT002 Perform venous blood collections**

**Release: 1**

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### Modification History

| Release   | Comments   |
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| Release 1 | <p>This version was released in <i>HLT Health Training Package release 2.0</i> and meets the requirements of the 2012 Standards for Training Packages.</p> <p>Some content also in HLTPAT003. Significant changes to the elements and performance criteria. New evidence requirements for assessment, including volume and frequency requirements. Significant change to knowledge evidence. Minimum work hours added.</p> |

### Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to confirm collection requirements, prepare client and equipment, and perform routine blood collections using venous blood collection.

This unit applies to any individual for whom blood collection is part of the job role. They may be working in collection centres, in hospitals or in other health care environments.

This unit relates to collections from adults of varied ages and genders, adolescents and children over 5 years of age. It does not include collections from babies, neonates, arterial collections or collections made via artificial access devices such as central lines, peripherally inserted central catheter (PICC) lines, or intra venous (IV) catheter.

*The skills in this unit must be applied in accordance with Commonwealth and State/Territory legislation, Australian/New Zealand standards and industry codes of practice.*

### Elements and Performance Criteria

#### ELEMENT

#### PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

*Elements define the essential outcomes*

*Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.*

1. Greet client and confirm pre-test criteria

1.1 Greet client courteously and identify self

1.2 Identify client following organisation and regulatory procedures

1.3 Confirm that client meets pre-testing criteria for

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required collection

1.4 Obtain, interpret and accurately record personal and clinical information in accordance with organisation policies and procedures

1.5 Correctly explain collection procedure to client

1.6 Obtain consent for collection procedure from client

2. Prepare for venous blood collection procedure

2.1 Select appropriate collection site based on client evaluation

2.2 Assemble equipment appropriate to test requested site selected

2.3 Position client to ensure comfort and safety of both client and collector

2.4 Identify when assistance may be needed and seek help if required

3. Draw blood

3.1 Adopt standard and additional infection control guidelines and precautions according to organisation documented procedure

3.2 Clean site with approved cleansing agent and allow to air dry prior to collection

3.3 Apply and remove/loosen tourniquet according to requirements of equipment being used

3.4 Confirm suitable vein through palpation of site and clean skin according to organisation documented procedure

3.5 Anchor vein below the site according to documented procedure

3.6 Insert needle at approved angle of 30 degrees or less

3.7 Collect correct volume of blood in appropriate collection tubes in the approved order of draw, as recommended by the manufacturer

3.8 Once correct amount collected, withdraw needle and apply direct pressure to site using dry cotton swab for

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minimum of 2 minutes and until bleeding has visibly stopped

3.9 Dispose of needle immediately and safely using approved sharps disposal device

3.10 Invert collection tubes within timeframe required as recommended by manufacturer

3.11 Observe client before, during and after collection for potential adverse effects and respond according to procedure

4. Follow post-blood collection procedures

4.1 Accurately label blood collection tubes in front of client with time and date of collection, client details and other required information following regulatory and organisational guidelines

4.2 Dispose of waste in accordance with infection control protocols and organisation policies and procedures

4.3 Confirm tube labelling information accuracy with client

4.4 Confirm that site has visibly stopped bleeding after appropriate time lapse and apply dressing

4.5 Complete other collection documentation in accordance with organisation procedures

4.6 Provide client with correct post venepuncture care instructions

4.7 Prepare collected samples for transit or store according to test and organisation requirements

**Foundation Skills**

*The Foundation Skills describe those required skills (language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills) that are essential to performance.*

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this

unit of competency.

## Unit Mapping Information

No equivalent unit.

## Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=ced1390f-48d9-4ab0-bd50-b015e5485705>