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HLT42712 Certificate IV in Aromatherapy

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Modification History

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HLT42707 Certificate IV in Aromatherapy	HLT42712 Certificate IV in Aromatherapy	Updated in V5 - Updated core units HLTFA311A Apply first aid and HLTWHS300A Contribute to WHS processes

Description

This qualification covers the skills needed to be a basic level aromatherapist. It provides basic skills in aromatherapy health assessment and treatment and may be used by those working in:

- a clinic, aged care facility, a health service or a spa facility giving basic aromatherapy treatment
- manufacturing of aromatherapy products
- retail of aromatherapy products.

At this level an aromatherapist can only formulate applications within a relaxation framework. A person at this level is expected to have a basic knowledge of a limited range (minimum of 20) of oils. A person with this qualification may or may not use massage as a method of application.

This qualification assumes employment either by another practitioner or within a larger health service e.g. aged care service or hospital. It does not offer the level of skill required for independent practice. The qualification is suited to Australian Apprenticeships pathways.

Occupational titles for these workers may include:

- Aromatherapist

Pathways Information

Not Applicable

Licensing/Regulatory Information

Not Applicable

Entry Requirements

Not Applicable

Employability Skills Summary

Refer to the Topic: Introduction to the Employability Skills Qualification Summaries

Packaging Rules

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17 units of competency are required for award of this qualification, including:

- 15 core units, comprising 10 common units and 5 specialisation units
- 2 elective units

A wide range of elective units is available, including:

- Group A electives which are recommended for culturally aware and respectful practice
- Other relevant electives listed below
- Units of competency to address workplace requirements and packaged at the level of this qualification or higher in Health and/or Community Services Training Packages
- Where appropriate, to address workplace requirements, up to 2 units of competency packaged at the level of this qualification or higher in other relevant Training Packages

Core units

Common units

BSBWOR203B	Work effectively with others
HLTAP401B	Confirm physical health status
HLTCOM404C	Communicate effectively with clients
HLTCOM405D	Administer a practice
HLTCOM406C	Make referrals to other health care professionals when appropriate
HLTCOM408D	Use specific health terminology to communicate effectively
HLTFA311A	Apply first aid
HLTIN301C	Comply with infection control policies and procedures
HLTHIR301C	Communicate and work effectively in health
HLTWHS300A	Contribute to WHS processes

Specialisation units

HLTARO401C	Work within an aromatherapy framework
HLTARO402B	Plan aromatherapy treatment
HLTARO403B	Provide aromatherapy treatment
HLTARO405B	Apply aromatherapy assessment framework
HLTARO406B	Perform aromatherapy health assessment

The importance of culturally aware and respectful practice

All workers undertaking work in health need foundation knowledge to inform their work with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander clients and co-workers and with clients and co-workers from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. This foundation must be provided and assessed as part of a holistic approach to delivery and assessment of this qualification. Specific guidelines for assessment of this aspect of competency are provided in the Assessment Guidelines for the Health Training Package.

Group A electives – recommended for culturally aware and respectful practice

Where work involves a specific focus on Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and/or culturally diverse clients or communities, one or both of the following electives is recommended:

HLTHIR403C Work effectively with culturally diverse clients and co-workers

HLTHIR404D Work effectively with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people

Other relevant electives

Other electives are to be selected in line with the specified Packaging Rules. Employers may specify that certain electives are required to address identified workplace needs.

CHCAC318B Work effectively with older people

CHCICS301A Provide support to meet personal care needs

HLTARO404B Develop aromatherapy products

HLTARO408B Provide aromatherapy massage treatment

HLTARO507B Analyse and compare different complementary health modalities

HLTWHS401A Maintain workplace WHS processes

SIRXSLS001A Sell products and services

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Due to the employment profile of the Health industry there are some areas where offering a full qualification would not match industry requirements. The Aromatherapy skill set is recommended for individuals wishing to gain a set of aromatherapy skills to complement another health qualification.