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Assessment Requirements for MSL974037 Triage and allocate tissue specimens

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Modification History

Release 1. New unit.

Performance Evidence

There must be evidence the candidate has completed the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit, and:

- followed workplace procedures for the triage and allocation of at least 10 different tissue specimens including at least 1 of each of the following:
 - fresh tissue
 - simple transfer
 - non-complex.

Knowledge Evidence

There must be evidence the candidate has knowledge of:

- purpose of and processes involved in triage and allocation
- safe bench practices, including personal protective equipment (PPE), cleaning and hygiene requirements
- hazards in work involving triage and allocation and associated risk management procedures, including those related to:
 - ventilation
 - formalin
 - sharps
 - biohazards
 - ergonomics
- cross-checking procedures used in laboratories to ensure matching of patients, tissue specimens and request forms
- procedures for handling non-compliant specimens
- laboratory information management and tracking systems
- specimen triage process for different types of tissue specimens including:
 - fresh
 - fixed
 - priority
 - paediatric
- systems to categorise tissue specimen complexity and the associated handling requirements (simple, non-complex and complex)

- existence and purpose of anatomical ordering of tissue specimens
- difference in visual appearance of fresh versus fixed tissue
- basic aspects of subsequent histological procedures and impact of incorrect work practices in triage and allocation on subsequent processes including the quality of the final microscopic outcome
- legal, ethical and work health and safety (WHS) requirements specific to the work task including traceability, confidentiality and security requirements of all clinical information, and laboratory data and records and legal requirements relating to the use of human tissue.

Assessment Conditions

Skills must have been demonstrated in the workplace or in a simulated environment that reflects workplace conditions and contingencies. The following conditions must be met for this unit:

- use of suitable facilities, equipment and resources, including:
 - a laboratory with relevant equipment, specimens and consumables
 - laboratory information management system
 - workplace procedures.

Assessors must satisfy the NVR/AQTF mandatory competency requirements for assessors.

Links

MSL Laboratory Operations Companion Volume Implementation Guide is available from VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=5c63a03b-4a6b-4ae5-9560-1e3c5f462baa>