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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 1.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to gather information on medications and services for animals, and relate these to individual animal requirements.

This unit applies to new entrants to the animal care and management industry where it may be necessary to investigate or clarify information on treatments, services or other animal care items for self, colleagues or clients. Individuals are not required to provide advice to clients at this level, but rather to develop the skills required to find information that is current, relevant, accurate and appropriate for the audience and activity needs from a range of credible services.

This unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision and exercise limited autonomy with some accountability for their own work. They undertake defined activities and work in a structured context.

No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements are known to apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

General Animal Studies (GAS)

Elements and Performance Criteria

Element	Performance criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	*Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.*
1. Interpret product information	1.1 Identify classes of medication, treatment or product contents, and define general use
	1.2 Identify and interpret safety precautions

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	1.3 Identify basic dose or simple application rates 1.4 Prepare dose or application for nominated animal as directed
2. Gather information on products and services	2.1 Identify and evaluate information sources for animal care products and services 2.2 Contact company advisors for specific information 2.3 Make inquiries about animal care services for a range of animal care needs
3. Read and locate animal identification information	3.1 Identify animal microchip or identification information 3.2 Access appropriate record database 3.3 Identify specific animal record 3.4 Cross-check animal record
4. Take an animal history	4.1 Document animal information and relay to relevant staff 4.2 Use effective listening and research skills to verify information on animal 4.3 Complete animal history documentation

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.

Skill	Description
Reading	• Access and interpret product brochures and safety data sheets
Numeracy	• Accurately measure dosages (number of tablets, measure in millilitres) • Accurately interpret decimal numbers to one decimal place (0.5)
Get the work done	• Identify valid and current sources of information for research

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMGAS208 Source information for animal care needs	ACMGAS208A Source information for animal care needs	Updated to meet Standards for Training Packages Element 3 removed and replaced with element on reading and locating animal identification information Assessment requirements revised	Equivalent unit

Links

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https://vetnet.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103