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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version was released in *CHC Community Services Training Package release 2.0* and meets the requirements of the 2012 Standards for Training Packages. Minimal changes to the elements and performance criteria. New evidence requirements for assessment, including volume and frequency.

Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required for working with the mental health peer workforce in a range of settings where peer work occurs.

This unit applies to peer support work with individuals affected by mental illness in a range of mental health services.

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. Identify the context of mental health peer work	1.1 Access, review and use contemporary and emergent literature on mental health peer work and practices
	1.2 Apply awareness of the historical context of peer work
	1.3 Consider changing social, political, cultural and economic context in all peer work
	1.4 Define peer work role and structures in a range of mental health services
	1.5 Identify a range of mental health consumer and carer

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	networks relevant to peer work
	1.6 Apply knowledge of the consumer and carer movements
2. Apply the values and central philosophies of mental health peer work	2.1 Identify own values and how these may influence/impact peer work
	2.2 Identify the organisation's peer work philosophies and how this impacts on own approach to peer work
	2.3 Apply access and equity principles in peer work
	2.4 Communicate with consumers and others in ways that support the values and philosophies of peer work
	2.5 Maintain confidentiality of information and explain limits of confidentiality to others
3. Identify and use mental health service options	3.1 Access the range of support services provided by consumer peers and carer peers
	3.2 Use information about mental health systems and the range of service options available to support the recovery process

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=5e0c25cc-3d9d-4b43-80d3-bd22cc4f1e53