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CHC42912 Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work

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Modification History

Not applicable.

Description

This qualification covers consumer workers and carer workers who are employed within the mental health sector in government, public, private or community managed services.

This qualification is specific to workers who have lived experience of mental health problems as either a consumer or carer and who work in mental health services in roles that support consumer peers or carer peers.

Occupational titles may include:

- Consumer consultant
- Consumer representative
- Peer support worker
- Peer Mentor
- Youth Peer Worker
- Carer consultant
- Carer representative
- Aboriginal Peer Worker
- Participation Coordinator
- Family Advocate

Pathways Information

Not applicable.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

Not applicable.

Entry Requirements

Not applicable.

Employability Skills Summary

Not applicable.

Packaging Rules

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15 units must be selected for award of this qualification including:

- 6 core units
- 9 elective units

A wide range of elective units is available, including:

- Group A Cultural Sensitivity units of which one unit must be selected for this qualification
- Group B Consumer Peer Worker units of which two units must be selected for Consumer Peer Work Stream; or
- Group C Carer Peer Worker units of which two units must be selected for Carer Peer Work Stream
- The remaining 6 electives may be selected as set out 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 this level or higher in other relevant Training Packages or accredited courses where the details of those courses are available on the TGA or other public listing

Core units

CHCPW401A Apply peer work practices in the mental health sector

CHCPW402A Contribute to the continuous improvement of mental health services

CHCPW403A Apply lived experience in mental health peer work

CHCPW404A Work effectively in trauma informed care

CHCPW405A Promote and facilitate self-advocacy

HLTWHS300A Contribute to WHS processes

Group A electives – at least one unit must be selected

One of the following units **must** be selected for this qualification.

HLTHIR403C Work effectively with culturally diverse clients and co-workers

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

Where work involves a specific focus on Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and culturally diverse clients or communities, candidates are recommended to select both units.

Electives required for Mental Health Peer Work specialisation

Group B Electives - Consumer Peer Workers [2 UNITS]

CHCPW406A Work effectively in consumer mental health peer work

CHCPW407A Support self-directed physical health and wellbeing

Group C Electives - Carer Peer Workers [2 UNITS]

CHCPW408A Work effectively in carer mental health peer work

CHCICS304B Work effectively with carers

Other Relevant Electives

Electives are to be selected in line with specified Packaging Rules. The following grouping of relevant electives is provided to facilitate selection and does not necessarily reflect workplace requirements. Electives may be selected from one or more groups. Employers may specify that certain electives are required to address specific workplace needs.

Administration

BSBWOR204A Use business technology
CHCINF303B Contribute to information requirements in the community sector

Advocacy and representation

CHCAD401D Advocate for clients
CHCAD402D Support the interest, rights and needs of peers within duty of care requirements
CHCAD603B Provide systems advocacy services

Alcohol and Other Drugs

CHCAOD402A Work effectively in alcohol and other drugs sector
CHCNET404B Facilitate links with other services

Community development and participation

CHCCD402B Develop and provide community education programs
CHCCD401E Support community participation
CHCCD508D Support community action

Community work

CHCCD307D Support community resources
CHCCD401E Support community participation
CHCCD404E Develop and implement community programs
CHCCD413E Work within specific communities
CHCCD420B Work to empower Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities

Disability Work

CHCDIS302A Maintain an environment to empower people with disabilities
CHCDIS410A Facilitate community participation and inclusion
CHCICS406B Support client self-management
CHCICS407B Support positive lifestyle

Education and facilitation

TAEDEL401A Plan, organise and deliver group based learning,
TAEDEL402A Plan, organise and facilitate learning in the workplace,
TAEDES401A Design and develop learning programs
BSBCMM401A Make a presentation

Family Work

CHCFAM417B Identify and use strengths based practice
CHCFAM421B Work with parents of very young children
CHCICS410A Support relationships with carers and families

Group Work

CHCGROUP403D Plan and conduct group activities

CHCGROUP410B	Deliver a structured program
CHCGROUP302D	Support group activity
CHCICS405D	Facilitate groups for individual outcomes

Health and Wellbeing

Where work involves participation in care coordination or case work the following unit of competency is recommended

CHCICS406B	Support client self-management
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Other units related to health and wellbeing work include:

CHCFAM417B	Identify and use strengths based practice
CHCICS407B	Support positive lifestyle
CHCICS408B	Provide support to people with chronic disease
CHCCS426B	Provide support and care relating to loss and grief

Homelessness

CHCCH410B	Manage and maintain tenancy agreements and services
CHCCH427B	Work effectively with people experiencing or at risk of homelessness
CHCCH428B	Work effectively within the Australian housing system
CHCCH522B	Undertake outreach work

Networking

CHCNET301A	Participate in networks
CHCNET402B	Establish and maintain effective networks
CHCNET404B	Facilitate links with other services

Policy and Research

CHCPOL402C	Contribute to policy development
CHCPOL403C	Undertake research activities
CHCPOL404A	Undertake policy review

Support work

CHCLD514B	Analyse impacts of sociological factors on clients in community work and services
CHCCS514B	Recognise and respond to individuals at risk
CHCCS521B	Assess and Respond to individual's at risk
CHCCS426B	Provide support and care relating to loss and grief
CHCFAM504B	Respond to and contain critical incidents

Settlement Work

CHCSW401A	Work effectively with forced migrants
CHCSW402B	Undertake bicultural work with forced migrants in Australia

Working with young people

CHCYTH301D	Work effectively with young people
CHCYTH404E	Support young people in crisis
CHCYTH403B	Support young people to create opportunities in their lives
CHCYTH511B	Work effectively with young people and their families

Working with older people

CHCLD315A Recognise stages of lifespan development

CHCAC317A Support older people to maintain their independence

CHCAC318A Work effectively with older persons

CHCAC319A Provide support to people living with dementia

CHCCS426B Provide support and care relating to grief and loss

Custom Content Section

Not applicable.