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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 2	Updated: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• assessor requirements statement• foundation skills lead in statement• licensing statement• modification history to reflect 2012 standards Equivalent outcome.
Release 1	This version was released in <i>HLT Health Training Package release 1.0</i> and meets the requirements of the 2012 Standards for Training Packages. Significant changes to elements and performance criteria. New evidence requirements for assessment, including volume and environment requirements.

Performance Evidence

The candidate must show evidence of the ability to complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit, manage tasks and manage contingencies in the context of the job role.

There must be evidence that the candidate has:

- communicated effectively in a group and one-on-one environment to promote healthy practices and discuss health issues on at least three separate occasions
- provided information and strategies to support the health of at least three women. This includes:
 - taking a sexual history
 - providing accurate and relevant information and guidance about women's sexual health in line with identified individual and community needs on at least three separate occasions, including:
 - explaining concepts related to sexuality, including:
 - sexuality and human sexual response
 - sexual behaviour
 - at-risk sexual behaviour
 - sexual discrimination

- explaining and demonstrating purpose and methods of contraception
- informing clients about STIs including history, transmission, prevention, investigations, management, complications, contact tracing and confidentiality
- exploring, reflecting on and clarifying personal experience and values in relation to sexuality
- making referrals at an appropriate time and to an appropriate person in relation to specific STIs.

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must be able to demonstrate essential knowledge required to effectively do the task outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit, manage the task and manage contingencies in the context of the identified work role

This includes knowledge of:

- organisation policies and procedures and legislation or regulations relating to:
 - client confidentiality
 - referral, including various levels of urgency, and follow-up of clients
 - mandatory reporting
 - notifiable communicable diseases
 - limits of own ability and authority
 - reporting procedures
 - documentation
- anatomy and physiology of sexual/reproductive organs
- strategies to support women's health and wellbeing
- health prevention screening options for early identification of women's health issues
- impact and treatment of conditions affecting women's health and wellbeing, e.g. breast screening, cervical screening, domestic violence, sexual assault, menopause, vaginal prolapse and continence issues
- healthy sexual behaviours such as:
 - safe-sex practices
 - contraception
 - influence of alcohol and other drug use on sexual behaviours
- sexually transmissible infections, including:
 - description/definition, statistics, signs and symptoms, universal precautions, common STIs, notifiable STIs
 - history of STI in the Aboriginal community and effects of STIs on the community
 - transmission, testing and complications related to STIs
 - impact on the ability of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women to have children
 - contact tracing/ partner notification
 - available ways to prevent, manage and/or treat these diseases
- risk factors for contracting STIs/HIV, including:

- relationship between STIs and increased risk of contracting HIV
- unprotected anal, vaginal and oral sex, receptive and insertive
- partners, mother to baby, blood to blood
- unsafe drug injection.

Assessment Conditions

Skills must be demonstrated working:

- in a health service or centre
- as part of a multidisciplinary primary health care team
- with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander clients and communities.

In addition, simulations and scenarios must be used where the full range of contexts and situations cannot be provided in the workplace or may occur only rarely. These are situations relating to emergency or unplanned procedures where assessment in these circumstances would be unsafe or is impractical.

Simulated assessment environments must simulate the real-life working environment where these skills and knowledge would be performed, with all the relevant equipment and resources of that working environment.

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) 2015/AQTF mandatory competency requirements for assessors.

Assessment must be undertaken by a workplace assessor who has expertise in this unit of competency and who is:

an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Worker or:

- accompanied by an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person who is a recognised member of the community with experience in primary health care.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=ced1390f-48d9-4ab0-bd50-b015e5485705>