



Australian Government

HLTAID013 Provide First Aid in remote or isolated site

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Modification History

Not applicable.

Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to provide a first aid response to a casualty in a remote or isolated site over an extended period of time until medical assistance is provided, or evacuation occurs.

This unit applies to any site where medical assistance is likely to be delayed.

First aid is to be provided in line with guidelines determined by the Australian Resuscitation Council (ARC) and other Australian national peak clinical bodies.

Specific licensing/regulatory requirements relating to this competency, including requirements for refresher training should be obtained from the relevant national/state/territory Work Health and Safety Regulatory Authorities.

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

Elements describe the essential outcomes

Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.

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| 1. Prepare equipment for first aid response in remote or isolated site. | 1.1. Evaluate information about remote or isolated site and identify potential injuries and illnesses requiring extended management.
1.2. Select first aid equipment and resources to manage a range of potential incidents, according to organisational emergency response and first aid procedures.
1.3. Select communication equipment to facilitate emergency response in remote or isolated site.
1.4. Complete pre-departure safety and serviceability checks on equipment. |
| 2. Assess the situation. | 2.1. Recognise and assess an emergency situation.
2.2. Ensure safety for self, bystanders and casualty.
2.3. Assess casualty to determine extent of first aid response.
2.4. Identify need for medical assistance and relay initial and concise information.
2.5. Triage when multiple casualties are involved. |

3. Apply appropriate first aid procedures.
 - 3.1. Perform single-rescuer or two-rescuer cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) in accordance with the ARC guidelines and availability of rescuers.
 - 3.2. Provide first aid in accordance with established first aid principles.
 - 3.3. Display respectful behaviour towards casualty.
 - 3.4. Obtain consent from casualty where possible.
 - 3.5. Use available resources and equipment to make the casualty as comfortable as possible.
 - 3.6. Operate first aid equipment according to manufacturers' instructions.
 - 3.7. Monitor the casualty's condition and respond in accordance with first aid principles.
 - 3.8. Assess need to evacuate casualty, ability to transport to medical assistance or need for external assistance.
 - 3.9. Administer medication as required according to medical instructions.
4. Communicate details of the incident.
 - 4.1. Accurately convey incident details to emergency services.
 - 4.2. Report details of incident in line with appropriate workplace or site procedures.
 - 4.3. Complete applicable workplace or site documentation, including incident report form.
 - 4.4. Maintain privacy and confidentiality of records and information in line with applicable statutory or organisational policies.
5. Coordinate evacuation and first aid activities until assistance arrives.
 - 5.1. Determine need, in consultation with external services, to evacuate casualty.
 - 5.2. Provide accurate information about location of incident, number of casualties, their condition and their position to enable deployment of appropriate resources.
 - 5.3. Continue to provide treatment using available resources until help arrives.
 - 5.4. Prepare site for evacuation of patient.
 - 5.5. On approach, assist emergency services to locate the site of the incident.
 - 5.6. Follow instructions and provide assistance to emergency services personnel during evacuation.
6. Review the incident.
 - 6.1. Recognise the possible psychological impacts on self and other rescuers and seek help when required.
 - 6.2. Contribute to a review of the first aid response as required.

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

Supersedes and not equivalent to HLTAID005 Provide first aid in remote situations.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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