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**Assessment Requirements for HLTARO006  
Adapt aromatherapy treatments to specific  
needs**

**Release: 2**

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## Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 2	Corrections to typographical errors in Performance evidence. Equivalent outcome.
Release 1	This version was released in <i>CHC Community Services Training Package release 2.0</i> and meets the requirements of the 2012 Standards for Training Packages.  Merged HLTARO509B/HLTARO511C. Significant changes to the elements and performance criteria. New evidence requirements for assessment, including volume and frequency requirements. Significant change to knowledge evidence. Minimum clinic hours added. Additional assessor 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:

- performed the activities outlined in the performance criteria of this unit during a period of at least 120 hours of aromatherapy client consultation work
- managed at least 60 aromatherapy assessment and treatment sessions - clients must include males and females from different stages of life with varied presentations
- effectively adapted communication, assessment and treatment strategies to meet client needs
- conducted case specific research for at least 3 cases, where key aspects of the condition are not known to the candidate

## Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must be able to demonstrate essential knowledge required to effectively complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit, manage tasks and manage contingencies in the context of the work role. This includes knowledge of:

- legal and ethical considerations (national and state/territory) for working with specific groups:

- children in the workplace
- codes of conduct
- discrimination:
  - age
  - disability
  - racial
  - sex
- duty of care
- informed consent
- mandatory reporting
- practitioner/client boundaries
- privacy, confidentiality and disclosure
- records management
- work role boundaries
  - working within scope of practice
  - presenting symptoms that require referral to a medical practitioner
- work health and safety
- treatment management factors that must be considered for clients of different genders and at different stages of life
  - case taking
  - variations in approach to physical examination
- major developmental milestones for different stages of life
- features of common health conditions that affect the following groups and how those conditions are assessed and treated in the aromatherapy framework:
  - children
  - adolescents
  - adult females at different stages of life
  - adult males at different stages of life
- factors for consideration when providing any form of palliative care
- professional responsibilities when presenting cases fall outside of practitioner's current scope of practice, including:
  - when referral is appropriate or required
  - information and advice sources
  - case research techniques

## Assessment Conditions

Skills must have been demonstrated in the workplace or in a simulated clinical environment that reflects workplace conditions. The following conditions must be met for this unit:

- use of suitable facilities, equipment and resources, including:
  - client information – case history, treatment plan

- private consultation area
- adjustable height massage table
- towels/sheets for draping
- essential oils
- compresses
- modelling of industry operating conditions, including provision of services to the general public
- clinic supervision by a person who meets the assessor requirements outlined below for at least 80 of the 120 hours of client consultation work

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

In addition, assessors must:

- have at least 3 years current experience working as a clinical aromatherapist providing services to the general public
- hold practising membership of an Australian professional body that represents clinical aromatherapists
- fulfil the continuing professional development requirements of the professional body to which they belong

## Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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