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<td>This version was released in <em>HLT Health Training Package release 3.0</em> and meets the requirements of the 2012 Standards for Training Packages. Merged HLTEN602B and HLTEN604B. Significant changes to the elements and performance criteria. New evidence requirements for assessment, including volume and frequency requirements. Significant change to knowledge evidence.</td>
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Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to assist people with disability or chronic illness who require rehabilitation to attain and maintain optimum function and lifestyle.

Enrolled nurses working in rehabilitation environments need to hold and apply specialised in-depth knowledge, effectively integrate theory and practice, and make reliable clinical assessments and judgements.

This unit applies to enrolled nurses, registered with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia, seeking specialisation in enrolled nurse work that is carried out in consultation and collaboration with registered nurses, and under direct or indirect supervisory arrangements aligned to the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia regulatory authority legislative requirements.

*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

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**PERFORMANCE CRITERIA**

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| **1. Work in interdisciplinary health care team caring for a person requiring rehabilitation** | **1.1** Apply the specialised knowledge and clinical skills necessary to provide nursing care for the person with physical disability and chronic illness  
**1.2** Provide nursing care that supports the interdisciplinary health care team to achieve cost effective health care outcomes  
**1.3** Work effectively in the rehabilitation care team to foster positive group dynamics with other health care professionals  
**1.4** Contribute to long-term management and planning for the person requiring rehabilitative care to maintain their optimum function and lifestyle  
**1.5** Identify opportunities for the person to self-manage own rehabilitative care needs |
| **2. Contribute to a person’s rehabilitation** | **2.1** Contribute to a safe and therapeutic environment and support activities that promote the person’s return of function  
**2.2** Apply knowledge of the various manifestations of the person’s areas of dysfunction and the associated pathophysiology of each clinical manifestation  
**2.3** Use critical thinking and problem-solving approaches to propose actions and implement nursing interventions to reflect changes in the person’s level of dysfunction, in consultation with registered nurse  
**2.4** Discuss with the person, family or carer the psychosocial impact of the person’s dysfunction on daily living activities  
**2.5** Communicate effectively with person, family or carer and interdisciplinary health team members  
**2.6** Identify and apply strategies to prevent complications or chronic illness in consultation with the registered nurse  
**2.7** Clarify the care needs of the person with a dysfunction across the phases of care required |
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#### 3. Promote improvement of nursing care and advancement of rehabilitation nursing

3.1 Critically review the care plan and modify according to the person’s progress toward planned outcomes in consultation and collaboration with registered nurse

3.2 Monitor and evaluate own nursing care provided to the person to assist with organisation continuous improvement

3.3 Evaluate nursing interventions and consider outcomes against evidence-based best practice in rehabilitation nursing care

3.4 Seek out opportunities and participate in professional development, acquiring knowledge to guide own practice and acting as a resource for colleagues

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### 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.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=ced1390f-48d9-4ab0-bd50-b015e5485705