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Implement and monitor care for a person
with acute health conditions**

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 2	Release 2 HLTENN043 Implement and monitor care for a person with acute health conditions supersedes and is equivalent to Release 1 HLTENN043 Implement and monitor care for a person with acute health conditions. Updated: Mapping details and minor corrections.
Release 1	HLTENN043 Implement and monitor care for a person with acute health conditions supersedes and is not equivalent to HLTENN011 Implement and monitor care for a person with acute health conditions and HLTENN005 Contribute to nursing care of a person with complex needs.

Performance Evidence

Evidence of the ability to complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit in the context of the job role, and:

- for one or more persons with an acute health condition:
 - analyse health information and the clinical presentation to reach an accurate conclusion on possible health care planning and nursing interventions related to their acute health condition in consultation with a registered nurse
 - perform nursing interventions for acute health treatment in the workplace including pre-operative preparation and post operative care
 - implement nursing interventions including:
 - monitoring of vital signs and neurological observations
 - assessing chest pain
 - inserting and removing indwelling urinary catheter (IDC)
 - replacing, removing and shortening a drain device
 - analyse health information and clinical presentation of one Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person to reach an accurate conclusion on possible culturally safe health care planning and nursing interventions.

The tasks must be undertaken in accordance with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) professional practice standards, codes and guidelines.

Knowledge Evidence

Demonstrate knowledge required to complete the tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit:

- role of Congress of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nurses and Midwives (CATSINaM)
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and principles of cultural safety
- acute health conditions including:
 - renal disorders
 - gastrointestinal disorders
 - neurological disorders
 - respiratory disorders
 - cardiovascular disorders
 - integumentary disorders
 - central nervous system disorders
 - musculoskeletal disorders
 - reproductive disorders
 - sensory disorders
 - endocrine disorders
- clinical manifestations of acute disease states and illnesses requiring nursing interventions
- signs of deterioration
- escalating care
- comprehensive approach to care in the acute care environment including nursing interventions and outcomes
- techniques for recording electrocardiograph (ECG)
- pre- and post-operative nursing care as charted
- post-operative nursing care:
 - level of consciousness
 - vital signs
 - fluid intake and output:
 - urinary retention
 - vomiting
 - wound and drain care
 - intravenous therapy
 - IDC
 - pain assessment
 - surgical drains and dressings
 - neurovascular observations
 - skin colour
 - intercostal catheter
 - underwater seal drainage (UWSD)

- pressure area care
- oral care
- passive and active exercise
- documentation
- techniques to perform interventions:
 - oropharyngeal and tracheostomy suctioning
 - UWSD tube management
 - intercostal catheter care
 - ostomy and stoma care
 - musculoskeletal traction
 - anti-embolic treatments.
 - care of drainage devices
 - care of suprapubic catheter
 - inserting and removing IDC
 - applying isolation nursing practices
 - inserting and removing nasogastric (NG) tubes
 - feeding through NG tubes and percutaneous feeding tube
 - nasogastric and percutaneous nutrition.
 - performing blood specimen collection (venepuncture)
- medical devices:
 - continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) and bilevel positive airway pressure (BiPAP)
 - peripherally inserted central catheter (PICC) and midline management
 - pacemakers and defibrillators
- principles of acute surgical nursing and associated interventions:
 - shock
 - sepsis
 - burns
 - angina
 - dehydration
- principles of surgical nursing and associated surgical procedures and terminology:
 - elective and emergency surgery
 - anaesthetics
 - amputation
 - general surgery
 - thoracic surgery
 - colon and rectal surgery
 - obstetrics and gynaecology
 - gynaecologic oncology
 - neurological surgery

- ophthalmic surgery
- oral and maxillofacial surgery
- orthopaedic surgery:
 - hand
 - sports medicine
 - paediatric orthopaedics
 - spine surgery
 - foot and ankle
 - joint replacement
 - trauma
 - oncology
- otolaryngology
- paediatric surgery:
 - neonatal
 - prenatal
 - trauma
 - oncology
- urology
- vascular surgery
- plastic and maxillofacial:
 - hand surgery.

Assessment Conditions

To be eligible to apply for registration as an enrolled nurse and to practice in Australia, each applicant must complete a Diploma of Nursing program accredited by the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council (ANMAC) and approved as ‘an approved program of study’ by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) in accordance with the Enrolled Nurse Accreditation Standards.

For more detail visit <https://www.ahpra.gov.au>.

Skills must be demonstrated in the workplace or in a simulated environment as specified in the performance evidence that model industry operating conditions including access to real people for simulations and scenarios in enrolled nursing work.

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisations’ requirements for assessors.

Assessors must also hold current registration as a registered nurse with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA).

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=ced1390f-48d9-4ab0-bd50-b015e5485705>

