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# **HLTINF004 Manage the prevention and control of infection**

**Release: 1**

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### Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	<p>This version was released in <i>HLT Health Training Package release 2.0</i> and meets the requirements of the 2012 Standards for Training Packages.</p> <p>Significant changes to the elements and performance criteria. New evidence requirements for assessment, including volume and frequency requirements. Significant change to knowledge evidence. Removed prerequisite.</p>

### Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to develop, implement and monitor infection prevention and control systems and procedures in work contexts where health and personal care services are provided.

This unit applies to people working in roles with managerial responsibilities for infection prevention and control in small to medium sized organisations. There may or may not be a team of workers involved.

*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

#### ELEMENT

#### PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

*Elements define the essential outcomes*

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

1. Establish framework for infection prevention and control

1.1 Access and interpret legislation, regulations and codes of practice for infection prevention and control

1.2 Collate and evaluate information on workplace requirements for infection prevention and control

1.3 Evaluate current policies, systems and procedures for compliance and quality

1.4 Consult with relevant colleagues on infection prevention and control issues and requirements

1.5 Develop and document infection prevention and

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	control systems and procedures, including record keeping and reporting systems
	1.6 Define and allocate infection prevention and control responsibilities
2. Establish procedures for hazard identification and risk control	2.1 Establish hazard identification and risk assessment tools
	2.2 Develop workplace processes for risk control
	2.3 Ensure risk controls and hazard specific procedures are consistent with the hierarchy of control
	2.4 Put in place incident reporting and investigation procedures
	2.5 Document hazard identification and risk assessment systems and procedures
3. Implement and monitor infection prevention and control practices	3.1 Communicate infection prevention and control systems, procedures and responsibilities to relevant colleagues
	3.2 Support implementation by facilitating resources and training
	3.3 Monitor day to day effectiveness of infection prevention and control procedures and address issues of concern
4. Evaluate infection prevention and control performance	4.1 Assess infection prevention and control systems against compliance requirements
	4.2 Review incidents as key sources of information
	4.3 Seek feedback on systems and procedures from relevant colleagues
	4.4 Identify and action improvements to systems and procedures

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