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HLTOHC010 Use basic oral health screening tools

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 2	Release 2 HLTOHC010 Use basic oral health screening tools supersedes and is equivalent to Release 1 HLTOHC010 Use basic oral health screening tools. Updated: Mapping details and minor corrections.
Release 1	HLTOHC010 Use basic oral health screening tools supersedes and is equivalent to HLTOHC005 Use basic oral health screening tools.

Application

This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to prepare for and conduct authorised oral health screening tests within scope of work role to identify the need for referral to an oral health practitioner or for additional education or instruction in oral health care.

This unit applies to workers in a range of health and community service environments where authorised basic oral health screening is carried out within a structured oral health care plan.

The skills in this unit must be applied in accordance with Commonwealth and State/Territory legislation, Australian standards and industry codes of practice.

No occupational licensing, certification or specific legislative requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Competency Field

Nil

Unit Sector

Oral Health

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS

Elements describe the essential outcomes

1. Prepare for and participate in basic routine oral health screening services.
2. Follow screening tool questioning, observation and recording requirements.
3. Review screening process and referral outcomes.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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

- 1.1. Explain screening procedure and rationale to patients, check understanding and obtain consent from patient or carer to conduct screening.
- 1.2. Prepare screening materials, instruments and tools.
- 1.3. Determine patient ability to self-report and select most suitable tools and approach.
- 1.4. Comply with directions of screening tool instructions, guidelines or training approved by the oral health sector.
- 1.5. Use screening tool to question patients about their oral health and take into account specific individual issues.
- 2.1. Record and document observations about patient oral health according to tool and organisation guidelines.
- 2.2. Consult with other health personnel where necessary to confirm or clarify screening results and record processes and outcomes.
- 2.3. Interpret findings based on screening results and report results to health practitioner or oral health team.
- 2.4. Document reporting processes using information from patient or carer and own observations.
- 3.1. Address identified needs for oral health education or assessment in consultation with others and refer where necessary.
- 3.2. Discuss any issues or obstacles relating to referrals with patients and other relevant stakeholders.
- 3.3. Where screening was unsuccessful report and follow up according to organisational policies and procedures.
- 3.4. Clarify screening effectiveness by obtaining feedback from patient and other relevant stakeholders and identify any issues in own use of screening tools.

Foundation Skills

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

Unit Mapping Information

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Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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