



**Australian Government**

# **Assessment Requirements for HLTOUT004**

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### **Modification History**

Not applicable.

### **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.

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 80 hours work, under clinical supervision in the workplace
- performed a clinical assessment and implemented basic care in a pre-hospital or out-of-hospital context on at least three different patient presentations for an illness or trauma impacting health status including:
  - primary survey
  - secondary survey
  - planning and implementing basic clinical care based on assessment and time-criticality
  - monitoring patient
  - safely delivering patient to a healthcare professional, facility or service
- performed basic life support on an adult, child and infant simulation manikin according to established clinical guidelines and protocols.

### **Knowledge Evidence**

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

- Commonwealth and State or Territory legal considerations for emergency health care workers working in out-of-hospital care, and how these are applied in organisations including:
  - discrimination
  - duty of care
  - mandatory reporting
  - health records and information privacy
  - drugs and poisons
  - informed consent
  - work health and safety
- clinical practice guidelines and protocols
- ethical considerations for emergency health care workers working in out-of-hospital care, and how these are applied in organisations including:

- scope of practice
- practitioner and patient boundaries:
  - responsibilities
  - limitations
- National Safety and Quality Health Service (NSQHS) Standards
- techniques for assessing and interpreting vital signs including:
  - level of consciousness:
    - Glasgow Coma Score (GCS)
    - alert, voice, pain, unresponsive (AVPU)
  - respiratory status:
    - rate
    - rhythm
    - effort
    - breath sounds
  - temperature status:
    - febrile
    - afebrile
    - hypothermic
  - blood volume and perfusion status:
    - pulse
    - blood pressure
    - capillary refill
    - skin
  - pain status
- components of and techniques used for primary survey and secondary survey
- basic anatomy and physiology of body systems:
  - cardiovascular
  - respiratory
  - musculo-skeletal
  - endocrine
  - nervous
  - digestive
  - urinary
  - reproductive
  - integumentary
  - lymphatic
  - special senses
- basic pharmacology of medications:
  - pharmacodynamics, pharmacokinetics, pharmacotherapeutics, toxicology
  - indications and contraindications

- side effects and adverse reactions
- administration:
  - routes
    - oral
    - intranasal
    - intramuscular
  - infection prevention and control
- control of medications/substances:
  - legal requirements and organisational policies and procedures for storage, handling, administration, disposal and documentation of drugs
  - scheduling
- basic life support techniques, including procedures and equipment used within established clinical guidelines and protocols
- methods of documenting patient medical history including pre-existing conditions, allergies, social and emotional wellbeing, and current medication or treatment plans to provide to receiving health facility workers
- receiving facility requirements or how to access these requirements
- procedures to undertake when the required patient treatment is outside the scope or authority to practise of the attending worker.

## Assessment Conditions

Skills must have been demonstrated in the workplace or in a simulated environment that reflects workplace conditions.

Where simulation is used, it must reflect real working conditions by modelling industry operating conditions and contingencies, as well as using suitable facilities, equipment and resources.

The performance evidence requirement for performing clinical assessments and implementing basic clinical care for three patients must have been demonstrated using simulation before being demonstrated in the workplace and with members of the public.

Assessment must ensure access to suitable facilities, resources and equipment as per local governing body including:

- simulation with adult, child and infant manikins
- vital signs monitoring devices
- organisational policies and procedures and established clinical guidelines on which the candidate bases the planning process
- documents used for reporting.

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

## Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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