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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	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. New unit.

Performance Evidence

The candidate must show evidence of the ability to complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit, manage tasks and manage contingencies in the context of the job role. There must be evidence that the candidate has:

- followed established technical, infection control and safety procedures and collected blood using skin puncture from at least 3 different people of varying ages

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must be able to demonstrate essential knowledge required to effectively complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit, manage tasks and manage contingencies in the context of the work role. This includes knowledge of:

- legal and ethical considerations for capillary blood collection, and how these are applied in organisations:
 - children in the workplace
 - duty of care
 - informed consent
 - mandatory reporting
 - privacy, confidentiality and disclosure
 - records management
 - supportive holding for procedures (limitations)
 - work role boundaries
 - boundaries of responsibilities
 - capillary blood collection role in different contexts, and situations where skin puncture is the most appropriate collection technique
 - sources of blood sample requests

- work health and safety
- standard infection control requirements for clinical procedures:
 - hand hygiene
 - use of personal protective equipment (PPE)
 - avoiding contact with bodily fluids
 - needle stick injury considerations
 - waste disposal
- industry terminology used in skin puncture blood collection:
 - equipment
 - procedures
 - abbreviations
 - skin puncture sites
 - clinical history and medication details
- key aspects of human anatomy and physiology in relation to the skin, vascular, arterial and nervous system relevant to capillary collections
- clinical risks of capillary blood collection procedures and procedures designed to minimise those risks
- factors which may affect the chemical analysis of blood and impact on collection:
 - appropriate times to collect
 - impact of drugs
 - timing of last dose
 - required fasting times
 - protecting the integrity of the specimen
- techniques for blood collection through skin puncture
- features, functions and use of skin puncture blood collection equipment:
 - approved lancets
 - cleansing solutions and swabs
 - collection tubes (microtainers)
 - dressings
- blood sample handling, processing, transit and storage methods
- requirements for selection and collection into tubes with variable additives:
 - ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA)
 - lithium/sodium heparin
 - fluoride oxalate
 - separation gel

Assessment Conditions

Skills must have been demonstrated in the workplace with the addition of simulations and scenarios where the full range of contexts and situations have not been provided in the workplace. The following conditions must be met for this unit:

- use of suitable facilities, equipment and resources, including:
 - sharps containers
 - bio waste bins
 - alcohol wipes
 - dressings
 - PPE
 - hand hygiene facilities
 - documented collection procedures for the candidate to follow
- modelling of industry operating conditions, including:
 - interactions with clients and carers from general public
 - presence of situations requiring problem solving in non-routine situations
- supervision of candidate's work activities by a person currently working in a phlebotomist role for at least 18 hours in a fortnight time period

The following aspect of the performance evidence must have been demonstrated using simulation prior to demonstration in the workplace or with members of the general public:

- capillary blood collection technique

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) 2015/AQTF mandatory competency 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>