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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. 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.

Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to prepare, assemble and package cleaned reusable medical devices according to manufacturer's instructions.

This unit applies to individuals working under general supervision and within established procedures in a range of health service organisations.

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

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PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

Elements define the essential outcomes

Performance criteria describe the performance required to demonstrate achievement of the element

1. Prepare for inspection and packing

- 1.1 Select and wear appropriate attire and ensure personal hygiene preparations are followed
- 1.2 Clean area prior to processing according to infection control guidelines
- 1.3 Test packing equipment in readiness for use and accurately document results

2. Inspect reusable medical devices

2.1 Sort items according to priority, specialties and packaging requirements and product families

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2.2 Inspect items for cleanliness and dryness and reprocess where required

2.3 Inspect items for functionality and completeness according to organisation requirements

2.4 Follow safe procedures for insulation testing as required

2.5 Use illuminated magnifier appropriately

2.6 Identify loan items and implantable items

2.7 Identify, report, remove and/or replace damaged/faulty items and items due for preventative maintenance

2.8 Report missing items according to organisation policies and protocols

3. Prepare and assemble reusable medical devices

3.1 Select, inspect and prepare instrument trays or rigid sterilisation containers against checklists

3.2 Open and unlock items with hinges/ratchets

3.3 Disassemble/loosen multi-part instruments and re-assemble to ensure sterilant contact on all surfaces according to manufacturer's instructions

3.4 Lubricate according to manufacturer instructions

3.5 Prepare hollow ware items with all openings facing the same direction

3.6 Protect delicate and sharp items in accordance with organisation policies and procedures

3.7 Use chemical indicators according to standards

4. Package reusable medical devices

4.1 Select packaging systems with reference to sterilisation method

4.2 Use safe manual handling techniques

4.3 Interpret operating instructions for packaging equipment and use equipment safely

4.4 Pack, secure and label sterile barrier systems to

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comply with aseptic removal principles

4.5 Assemble and package thermally disinfected reusable medical devices for transfer to appropriate location

4.6 Complete accurate quality assurance documentation

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>