



Australian Government

PUAEME008 Provide pain management

Release: 1

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Modification History

Release 1. This is the first release of this unit of competency in the PUA Public Safety Training Package.

Application

This unit of competency involves the skills and knowledge required to administer restricted analgesics to provide pain management as part of a medically supervised first responder organisation. It includes identifying the need for analgesia; accessing, preparing and administering restricted pain relief such as analgesics according to medically endorsed protocols; performing casualty handovers and completing analgesic use requirements.

The unit is applicable for personnel from emergency services, volunteer organisations or organisations that provide a medically supervised first aid service.

Licensing and regulatory information

Requirements for the storage and administration of drugs must be applied in accordance with relevant Commonwealth and state or 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

HLTAID011 Provide First Aid

Competency Field

Emergency Care

Unit Sector

Public Safety

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

Elements describe the essential Performance criteria describe the performance needed to

outcomes.

demonstrate achievement of the element.

- 1 Identify need for analgesia**
 - 1.1 Casualty is assessed and the need to administer analgesia is confirmed
 - 1.2 Contraindications and precautions for use of analgesic drug are identified and appropriate use for casualty is confirmed
 - 1.3 Appropriate dosage for casualty is confirmed in accordance with organisational policies, procedures, industry standards and protocols
 - 1.4 Assistance is sought from emergency services in accordance with organisational policies, procedures and requirements
- 2 Access and prepare analgesic**
 - 2.1 Secure storage of analgesic drug is accessed in accordance with organisational policies, procedures and requirements
 - 2.2 Analgesic documentation is completed in accordance with organisational policies, procedures and requirements
 - 2.3 Retrieval of correct drug within its expiry date is confirmed in accordance with organisational policies, procedures and requirements
 - 2.4 Analgesic drug is prepared in accordance with industry standards and organisational policies, procedures and requirements
- 3 Administer analgesic**
 - 3.1 Purpose of the analgesic drug is explained to casualty
 - 3.2 Casualty is advised as to use of the analgesic drug and its potential impact
 - 3.3 Casualty consent to administer treatment is obtained
 - 3.4 Analgesic drug is administered in accordance with industry standards and protocols
 - 3.5 Casualty is continuously monitored whilst administering analgesic drug
- 4 Perform casualty handover**
 - 4.1 Details of incident, including analgesic drug administration, are communicated to medical personnel
 - 4.2 Written record of treatment, including analgesic drug

and dosage, is supplied to medical personnel in accordance with organisational policies, procedures and requirements

- 5 Complete analgesic use requirements**
- 5.1** Unused analgesic drugs are disposed of in accordance with organisational policies, procedures and requirements
 - 5.2** Details of drugs use is recorded in log in accordance with organisational policies, procedures and requirements
 - 5.3** Debriefing and/or evaluation of incident is undertaken in accordance with organisational policies, procedures and requirements

Foundation Skills

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

Range of Conditions

Range is restricted to essential operating conditions and any other variables essential to the work environment.

Non-essential conditions may be found in the PUA Public Safety Training Package Companion Volume Implementation Guide.

Unit Mapping Information

This unit replaces and is equivalent to PUAEME005 Provide pain management.

Links

Companion Volume Implementation Guides are found in VETNet - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=3eca5672-6d5a-410b-8942-810d0ba05bbf>