SIF40213 Certificate IV in Embalming

Release 2
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Modification History
The details of this endorsed qualification are in the table below. The latest information is at the top.

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| Two     | Imported units from the following training packages updated:  
|         | • HLT Health |
| One     | Revised qualification. Reflects the Standards for Training Packages. |

Qualification Description
This qualification reflects the role of individuals who perform a range of specialised embalming procedures in a mortuary or funeral home mortuary.

Individuals in this role work relatively autonomously and may have limited responsibility for the coordination, training and supervision of others.

Embalmers require theoretical knowledge in anatomy, physiology, chemistry and biology as well as specialist technical skills to sanitise, present and preserve a deceased person of predictable and unpredictable causes as part of the embalming process.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this qualification at the time of publication, however, the following requirement applies to the embalming of bodies in NSW:

*Under a NSW public health regulation relating to the disposal of bodies, a person must not embalm a body unless that person has a certificate of proficiency of, or equivalent to, a Certificate IV [Embalming] standard issued by an institute approved by the Director-General of the NSW Department of Health. Candidates in NSW should seek advice from the NSW Department of Health for a current list of approved providers.*

The volume of learning of a Certificate IV is typically 0.5 – 2 years.
Packaging Rules

22 units must be completed:

- 19 core units
- 3 elective units consisting of:
  - a minimum of 2 elective units must be selected from the elective units listed below
  - a maximum of 1 elective unit, first packaged at AQF level 3, 4 or 5, may be selected from elsewhere in SIF Funeral Services Training Package, or any other current Training Package or accredited course. Refer to the AQF packaging of Funeral Services units in the Companion Volume Implementation Guide.

In all cases, selection of electives must be guided by the job outcome, local industry requirements and the characteristics of this qualification (as per the AQF descriptors).

Core units

SIFEMWK001  Encoffin deceased persons
SIFEMWK005  Cleanse and disinfect deceased persons
SIFEMWK006  Set facial features
SIFEMWK007  Treat abdominal and thoracic cavities
SIFEMWK008  Dress the deceased and apply cosmetics
SIFEMWK009  Apply anatomy and physiology principles to embalming
SIFEMWK010  Restore minor body damage
SIFEMWK011  Treat the head and body after autopsies
SIFEMWK012  Restore and set eyes after eye donations
SIFEMWK013  Determine embalming requirements
SIFEMWK014  Perform arterial embalming of natural cases
SIFEMWK015  Perform arterial embalming of autopsied cases
SIFEMWK016  Treat complex ante mortem cases
SIFEMWK017  Treat complex post mortem cases
SIFEMWK018  Supervise mortuary operations
SIFEWHS001  Follow mortuary work health and safety procedures
SIFXIND002  Work effectively in the funeral services industry
SIFXIND003 Deal with grief responses
SIFXWHS004 Implement and monitor infection and contamination control practices

Elective units

Administration and Quality
SIFXADQ001 Control and order goods
SIFXADQ002 Conduct internal quality audits
SIFXADQ003 Monitor contracted services and supplies

Industry
SIFXIND004 Participate in industry networks

Management and Leadership
SIFXMGT001 Coordinate teams
SIFXMGT003 Supervise staff

Marketing and Public Relations
SIFXMPR002 Make presentations to community groups
SIFXMPR003 Prepare and conduct tours
SIFXMPR005 Develop marketing strategies and activities

Mortuary Work and Embalming
SIFEMWK004 Coordinate mortuary operations
SIFEMWK019 Design a mortuary

Training and Education
TAEDEL301A Provide work skill instruction

Work Health and Safety
HLTAID003 Provide first aid
SIFEWHS002 Review and develop mortuary work health and safety policies and procedures
Qualification Mapping Information
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