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## Modification History

Not applicable.

## Performance Evidence

Evidence of the ability to:

- identify restorative requirements through examination and repair or conceal minor body damage using correct techniques and following work health and safety/occupational health and safety and infection control practices
- prepare mortuary area and select and use the required instruments and equipment
- clean, disinfect and sterilise the mortuary area, instruments and equipment at conclusion of the treatment.

Evidence of performance of restoring minor body damage of different cases on two or more occasions is required to demonstrate consistency of performance and ability to respond to different situations.

## Knowledge Evidence

Demonstrated knowledge of:

- mortuary instruments and equipment used for cleansing and disinfecting bodies and their associated uses
- requirements for preparing the mortuary area
- properties and uses of germicidal sprays and disinfectants
- structure and functions of the systems of the body in relation to restoring minor body
- areas requiring evaluation for restorative repair, including:
  - eyes
  - skin
  - bruising
  - intravenous line punctures
  - tracheotomy or colostomy openings
  - other openings not closed
  - incisions not sutured
  - leakage from sutures
- restorative repair techniques, including:
  - suturing
  - gluing

- concealment using cosmetics
- use of wax and creams
- application of standard precautions, including
  - use of personal protective equipment
  - presumption that all blood and body fluids are infectious
  - covering exposed cuts and abrasions, particularly on workers' hands, with waterproof coverings prior to commencement of work
  - immediate treatment of puncture wounds or abrasions
- workplace policies and procedures for performing minor body restoration procedures
- correct and environmentally sound disposal methods for all types of waste and in particular for hazardous substances
- funeral services industry parameters and protocols for dealing with the deceased, including social, cultural and religious requirements considerations
- federal, state or territory, and local government legislation and regulations relating to work health and safety/occupational health and safety, infection control and handling human remains.

## Assessment Conditions

Skills must be demonstrated in a mortuary workplace:

- using suitable equipment and resources, including:
  - deceased bodies requiring minor restoration
  - mortuary instruments and equipment including personal protective equipment and cleansing and disinfecting products
- under industry operating conditions where there is:
  - integration of tasks with possible interruptions to work typical of the job role
  - speed and timing requirements that reflect commercial operating conditions

As well as satisfying the NVR/AQTF mandatory competency requirements, assessors must also hold formal qualifications as an embalmer.

## Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c2c3131e-4418-4aa3-8ff1-a855c95f7fd6>