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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 5.0.

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.

There must be evidence that the individual has:

- researched at least three different services or therapies to address a horse health issue, and identified a credible practitioner for each, selected from:
 - horse massage therapy
 - other horse bodywork
 - equine dental technician
 - hoof care
 - diet and nutrition analysis and advice
 - horse behaviour analysis and advice
 - alternative or complementary therapies
- conducted a risk assessment relating to implementing the selected service or therapy
- implemented, monitored, recorded and evaluated outcomes of selected service or therapy for at least one horse with a health condition.

Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- fundamentals of equine anatomy and physiology relevant to injuries, ailments and health care
- common horse injuries, ailments and health conditions
- signs, causes, progression and healing processes of common equine ailments and injuries
- range of services or therapies available for identified equine ailments and injuries, including:
 - horse massage therapy
 - other horse bodywork

- equine dentistry
- hoof care
- diet and nutrition analysis and advice
- equine behaviour analysis and advice
- alternative or complementary therapies – homeopathy, aromatherapy
- range of therapy modalities, including benefits, limits, scientific evidence and physiological plausibility
- common equipment used in services or therapies researched in performance evidence
- legislative regulations covering veterinary and equine health professional accreditation qualifications and licensing
- industry bodies, professional development, compliance and accreditation processes
- key requirements of work, health and safety regulations and guidelines relating to:
 - risk assessment, control and review
 - due diligence for staff and other personnel
 - safe horse handling techniques
 - use, storage, maintenance and replacement of personal protective equipment
- key requirements of relevant legislation and codes of practice, including:
 - biosecurity relevant to horse disease, infection control and hygiene standards
 - workplace health and safety relating to interactions with horses
 - animal welfare relating to the safe, humane and ethical care of horses.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - an equine workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
 - live horses as specified in the performance evidence, assessed as suitable for the experience and skill of the individual
 - workplace recording or reporting formats
- specifications:
 - health records for individual horses
- relationships:
 - access to veterinarian or equine health professional relevant to performance evidence.

The *Companion Volume: User Guide: Safety in Equine Training* provides advice and sample templates to assist assessors with the risk assessments that should be undertaken to help ensure the safety of all involved in the assessment.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: -
<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103>