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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 2.0.

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:

- carried out an infection control risk assessment for at least one organisation or workplace
- developed, documented and implemented at least two infection control policies and four procedures for an organisation, covering:
 - basic safety, hygiene and personal protective equipment (PPE) for workers/team members
 - overview of clinical signs of common infectious diseases for relevant animal species
 - movement of animals into, around and out of workplace
 - movement of vehicles, equipment, feed, and bedding
 - movement of people visiting or working at the workplace
 - pests and contaminants
 - quarantine and protective barriers at workplace
 - waste management practices
 - water supply and storage
 - emergency procedures
 - recording and reporting
- reviewed and updated the infection control guidelines based on information and data collected, collated and analysed over a period of at least three months.

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:

- infection control guidelines covering:
 - safety, hygiene and PPE

- movement of animals into, around and out of workplace
- quarantine and isolation protocols, including protective barriers at workplace
- movement of vehicles, equipment, feed, and bedding
- movement of people visiting or working at the workplace
- water supply and storage
- pests and contaminants
- waste management practices
- emergency procedures including natural disasters and accidents
- recording and reporting
- staff vaccinations/immunisation
- process for infection control risk assessment, including:
 - identify and control risks where possible
 - prepare for risks beyond control
 - respond and recover from an incident or crisis
- overview of clinical signs of common diseases for relevant animal species and organisation
- features of an infection control guidelines, including:
 - goals and objectives
 - roles and responsibilities of staff
 - contact details for relevant people and organisations
 - recording forms - visitor register, husbandry records, register of movements
 - emergency animal disease (EAD) action plan
 - Australian Veterinary Emergency Plan (AUSVETPLAN) for specific diseases
 - responsibilities under relevant animal welfare and health and safety regulations and codes of practice
- purpose, features and benefits of guidelines, including:
 - policy and procedures
 - format and templates for policies, procedures and associated documentation
- methods of analysing data and trends and the importance of systematic review to improving guidelines
- importance of ensuring that guidelines and modifications are implemented and disseminated.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
 - skills must be demonstrated in a community organisation caring for animals or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:

- workplace documents and templates for policies, procedures, processes, forms and/or checklists
- specifications:
 - animal welfare, work health and safety and biosecurity regulations applicable to organisation.

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>