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BSBWHS305 Contribute to WHS issue resolution

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Release 1	This version first released with BSB Business Services Training Package Version 1.0.

Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to contribute to work health and safety (WHS) issue-resolution processes, and to communicate their outcomes.

It applies to individuals who contribute to the resolution of WHS issues in the workplace as part of their WHS responsibilities which are in addition to their main duties.

NOTE: The terms ‘occupational health and safety’ (OHS) and ‘work health and safety’ (WHS) are equivalent and generally either can be used in the workplace. In jurisdictions where the Model WHS Legislation has not been implemented RTOs are advised to contextualise the unit of competency by referring to the existing State/Territory OHS legislative requirements.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Unit Sector

Regulation, Licensing and Risk – Work Health and Safety

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Prepare to contribute to the resolution of WHS issues	1.1 Identify relevant parts of WHS Acts, regulations, codes of practice and workplace policies and procedures that apply to the WHS issue-resolution process 1.2 Identify possible participants in the WHS issue-resolution process and their legal rights, duties and responsibilities 1.3 Identify, clarify and record WHS issues and communicate and discuss these issues with other participants as appropriate

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
	1.4 Provide support and advice to workers about issue-resolution tools, techniques and strategies that can be used to resolve WHS issues 1.5 Make other preparations as necessary
2. Progress the resolution of WHS issues	2.1 Participate in the issue-resolution process 2.2 Provide support and advice to participants as appropriate according to workplace procedures and processes 2.3 Contact external participants to help progress issue-resolution processes when appropriate
3. Effectively communicate outcomes of WHS issue-resolution process	3.1 Select the best means to communicate the results of the issue-resolution process to participants 3.2 Disseminate results of the issue-resolution process to all participants 3.3 Contribute to keeping records of WHS issue-resolution processes and outcomes

Foundation Skills

This section describes language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills incorporated in the performance criteria that are required for competent performance.

Skill	Performance Criteria	Description
Reading	1.1-1.4, 3.3	- Interprets texts relating to WHS legislation, workplace policy and procedures - Interprets documentation relating to specific issues
Writing	1.3, 1.4, 2.2, 2.3, 3.2, 3.3	Uses formats and language appropriate to audience and context in plans, summaries, reports and advice
Oral communication	1.3, 1.4, 2.1-2.3, 3.2, 3.3	- Presents information, provides assistance, or engages in discussions using vocabulary and features appropriate to the audience - Uses listening and questioning to clarify and confirm understanding
Navigate the world of work	1.1, 1.2	- Takes responsibility for adherence to legal and regulatory responsibilities and organisational policies and procedures in relation to WHS role - Keeps up to date on changes to WHS legislation or

		regulations and organisational policies and procedures
Interact with others	1.4, 2.1-2.3, 3.2	- Understands what to communicate and to whom in a issue-resolution process - Cooperates with others as part of WHS issues-resolution activities and contributes to specific activities requiring joint responsibility and accountability - Plays an active role in group discussions, paying attention to perspectives of others when trying to reach agreement - When unable to resolve an issue, seeks advice and assistance in accordance with workplace protocols
Get the work done	1.3-1.5, 3.1, 3.3	- Plans and implements tasks to achieve required outcomes - Uses digital systems and programs to assist with planning, implementing and tracking progress - Uses formal decision-making processes, setting or clarifying goals, gathering information and identifying and evaluating choices against a set of criteria in selecting means of communication

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
BSBWHS305 Contribute to WHS issue resolution	BSBWHS305A Contribute to WHS issue resolution	Updated to meet Standards for Training Packages Minor edits to clarify intent of performance criteria	Equivalent unit

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=11ef6853-ceed-4ba7-9d87-4da407e23c10>

Assessment Requirements for BSBWHS305 Contribute to WHS issue resolution

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Performance Evidence

Evidence of the ability to:

- prepare to contribute to work health and safety (WHS) issue resolution including:
 - identifying relevant Acts, regulations, codes of practice and workplace policies and procedures
 - identifying possible participants and their roles and responsibilities
 - recording WHS issues
 - communicating WHS issues with participants
 - providing advice and support to others about issue resolution tools, techniques and strategies
 - identifying and responding to other preparations that might be needed
- progress the WHS issue resolution process by:
 - communicating effectively to make a contribution
 - supporting and advising others to contribute according to workplace procedures and processes
 - contacting external participants when appropriate to help resolve of issues
- disseminate the results of the WHS issue resolution using appropriate methods and formats
- contribute to keeping records of WHS issue resolution and outcomes.

Note: If a specific volume or frequency is not stated, then evidence must be provided at least once.

Knowledge Evidence

To complete the unit requirements safely and effectively, the individual must:

- identify sources of WHS information and data, and how to access them
- explain the legislative requirements for WHS issue resolution, information provision, data collection, consultation and reporting

- identify organisational policies and procedures for WHS agreements and issue resolution
- list and describe roles and responsibilities of individuals and parties under WHS legislation
- describe types of issue resolution tools, techniques and strategies.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment must be conducted in a safe environment where evidence gathered demonstrates consistent performance of typical activities experienced by individuals carrying out work health and safety duties in the workplace and include access to:

- organisational policies, standard operating procedures, procedures and plans
- relevant Acts, regulations, codes of practice, licensing requirements and standards
- office equipment and resources
- interaction with others
- case studies and, where possible, real situations.

Assessors must satisfy NVR/AQTF assessor requirements.

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