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Modification History

Not applicable.

Performance Evidence

Evidence of the ability to complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit in the context of the job role, and:

- assist in implementing at least one care plan using a palliative approach, including:
 - familiarising self with individualised plan and documented strategies
 - communicating effectively and empathetically with the person, their family, carer and others
 - respecting the person's needs and preferences
 - providing information about support or bereavement support services
- reflect on own emotional responses to death and dying and discuss with supervisor on at least one occasion.

Knowledge Evidence

Demonstrated knowledge required to complete the tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit:

- relevant policies, protocols and practices of the organisation in relation to the provision of both a palliative approach and palliative care
- common life-limiting illnesses
- emotional impact of diagnosis of life-limiting illness
- principles of the palliative approach to care of people and their family
- differences between curative and palliative approaches in contributing to individualised care planning
- cultural and spiritual considerations in relation to palliative care
- impact of unconscious bias when providing care
- palliative approaches for care across the life-span
- impact of loss and grief on people, carers and workers
- legal and ethical considerations for working in palliative care and advance care directives, including:
 - dignity of risk
 - duty of care
 - human rights
 - privacy, confidentiality and disclosure

- specific jurisdictional legislation on advance care planning and advance care directives as it applies to the work role
- work role boundaries, responsibilities and limitations
- State/Territory legislation related to Voluntary Assisted Dying
- pain management and strategies to maximise comfort
- hydration and nutrition requirements during a palliative approach and at end-of-life
- signs of deterioration and imminent death.

Assessment Conditions

Skills must be demonstrated in the workplace or in a simulated environment that reflects workplace conditions.

Assessment must ensure access to:

- facilities, equipment and resources that reflect real working conditions and model industry operating conditions and contingencies
- organisational policies and procedures
- palliative care plans
- equipment and resources outlined in palliative care plans
- opportunities for engagement with people in palliative care or people who participate in simulations and scenarios that involve provision of palliative care in a range of contexts.

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisations' requirements for assessors.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=5e0c25cc-3d9d-4b43-80d3-bd22cc4f1e53>