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Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to respond to the range of complex needs of youth justice clients.

This unit applies to work in both a community and custodial youth justice service environment.

The skills in this unit must be applied in accordance with Commonwealth and State/Territory legislation, Australian/New Zealand standards and industry codes of practice.

Elements and Performance Criteria

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1. Assist the young person to identify and assess issues that affect their health and wellbeing

- 1.1 Communicate with the young person in an open and conducive manner to exchange views about their particular health and wellbeing issues
- 1.2 Consult with the young person about factors that impact on their health and wellbeing
- 1.3 Identify any specific concerns relating to alcohol and other drug use and/or mental health issues

2. Assist the young person to select options for addressing health and wellbeing issues

- 2.1 Support the young person to reflect upon their own concerns for their health and wellbeing and encourage them to realise their potential for change
- 2.2 Provide information to assist the young person to explore and select options that can be implemented to address health and wellbeing issues
- 2.3 Discuss with the young person the implications of choices and clarify their understanding of impact and risks

3. Support the young person to act upon their choice of support/intervention

- 3.1 Assist the young person to be clear about the choices they have made and the reasons for seeking the support/interventions
- 3.2 Explore with the young person the choice of methods available to assist them to act upon the support/intervention
- 3.3 Facilitate the young person's access to their identified choice of support or intervention
- 3.4 Maintain contact to a level required to support the young person to action changes to improve health and wellbeing
- 3.5 Encourage young people to access further supports if required

4. Evaluate with the young person the effectiveness of interventions/supports

- 4.1 Provide regular opportunities for the young person to review their own progress
- 4.2 Review the young person's original health and wellbeing concerns and the effectiveness of choice of actions in an appropriate manner

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4.3 Seek opinions and inputs from others involved in the interventions to suggest ways the intervention/support process may be improved

4.4 Encourage the young person to identify and discuss their own perceptions of changes to their health and wellbeing as a result of taking action

4.5 Record outcomes of interventions/supports according to organisation guidelines and confidentiality

Foundation Skills

The Foundation Skills describe those required skills (language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills) that are essential to performance.

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

Unit Mapping Information

No equivalent unit.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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

Assessment Requirements for CHCPRT015 Respond to needs of youth justice clients

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Performance Evidence

The candidate must show evidence of the ability to complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit, manage tasks and manage contingencies in the context of the job role. There must be demonstrated evidence that the candidate has completed the following tasks:

- communicated effectively with at least three youth justice clients, including:
 - encouraging young people to discuss issues openly and honestly
 - supporting the young person through verbal and non-verbal methods
 - employing strategies to encourage the young person to recognise their capacity to make changes
 - acknowledging and respecting the young person's rights to choose appropriate supports
 - helping the young person to maintain their commitment to change
 - referring young person to specialist services when necessary
- undertaken at least one risk assessment of different choices made by the young person
- recorded outcomes of interventions and supports accurately and completely on at least two occasions.

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must be able to demonstrate essential knowledge required to effectively do the task outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit, manage the task and manage contingencies in the context of the work role.

These include knowledge of:

- adolescent mental health and social and emotional wellbeing concerns
- motivational interviewing techniques
- issues and contemporary approaches to illegal and legal drug use, treatment and response
- relevant legislation, policy and procedures related to working in the youth justice context where young people present with complex and/or multiple issues relating to health and wellbeing
- range of support and intervention types available for young people experiencing a variety of health and behavioural concerns in the youth justice environment including:
 - misuse of alcohol and/or other drugs , including addiction
 - mental health issues (depression and suicide)
 - disabilities
 - behavioural difficulties
- local internal and external organisations and specialist support services available to young people
- importance of peer support in achieving change
- impact of culture, beliefs and preferences on individual's willingness to discuss areas of concern
- theories of how family of origin, intergenerational and environmental health impacts contribute to health and wellbeing of young people in the youth justice system
- relationship between lifestyle choices, nature of adolescent risk-taking and offending behaviour
- early warning signs of young people's behaviour becoming volatile and procedures to respond to this behaviour whether it is substance-use related or otherwise

Assessment Conditions

Skills must be demonstrated in the workplace.

In addition, simulations and scenarios must be used where the full range of contexts and situations cannot be provided in the workplace or may occur only rarely. These are situations relating to emergency or unplanned procedures where assessment in these circumstances would be unsafe or is impractical.

Simulated assessment environments must simulate the real-life working environment where these skills and knowledge would be performed, with all the relevant equipment and resources of that working environment.

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) 2015/AQTF mandatory competency requirements for assessors.

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