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CHCPRT035 Develop and implement a multi-agency investigation and child risk assessment strategy

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Modification History

Not applicable.

Application

This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to develop and implement a multi-agency investigation and child risk assessment strategy in response to an allegation of child abuse and neglect.

This unit applies to a range of child protection occupations in government and non-government organisations where assessment of children at risk is a critical part of the job role.

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

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Competency Field

Child Protection

Unit Sector

Community Services

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS

Elements describe the essential outcomes

1. Identify strategies for investigation and child risk assessment.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.

- 1.1. Identify key agencies and personnel to be involved in investigation and child risk assessment.
- 1.2. Consult with each agency and individual practitioners to define roles and responsibilities.
- 1.3. Collect and share relevant agency information and comply with legislative and privacy regulations regarding sharing of

- information.
- 1.4. Assess and clarify range issues to be addressed in response to the child's identified needs.
- 1.5. Identify and respond appropriately to child's specific characteristics including cultural, family and community issues.
- 1.6. Liaise and consult with other agencies and personnel within organisation and reference interagency frameworks and protocols.
- 1.7. Identify and assess potential risks to child, family and others.
- 1.8. Assess and evaluate intervention options according to the needs of the child and situation.
- 2. Select and implement the investigation and child risk strategy.
 - 2.1. Use child protection frameworks to select and agree to the strategy for the investigation.
 - 2.2. Plan and support the implementation of practical arrangements.
 - 2.3. Implement the investigation and child risk strategy that best meets the needs of the child and secures the safety and wellbeing of the child.
 - 2.4. Facilitate and support referrals as required for the investigation and assessment.
 - 2.5. Record actions for investigation and child risk strategy implementation according to organisation and interagency framework.
- 3. Monitor and review the investigation and child risk strategy.
 - 3.1. Revise investigation and child risk strategy in response to new information and changing circumstances.
 - 3.2. Manage communication between agencies for monitoring and review of investigation and child risk strategy during and following action.
 - 3.3. Evaluate the effectiveness of the investigation and child risk strategy, with reference to all agencies involved.

Foundation Skills

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

Unit Mapping Information

Supersedes and is equivalent to CHCPRT011 Develop and implement a multi-agency investigation and child risk assessment strategy.

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 CHCPRT035 Develop and implement a multi-agency investigation and child risk assessment strategy

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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:

- develop and implement at least one multi-agency investigation and child risk strategy related to an allegation of child abuse or neglect, including:
 - sourcing key agencies for involvement in investigations and assessments and working collaboratively with those agencies
 - identifying key issues and considerations to be addressed in regard to the needs of the child and selecting and developing a investigation and child risk strategy to respond to those issues
 - evaluating the chosen investigation and child risk strategy to ensure it meets the key principles of child protection work
 - implementing the best investigation and child risk strategy for the child and facilitating the associated practical arrangements
 - working effectively and collaboratively with other agencies and personnel within organisational and interagency frameworks.

Knowledge Evidence

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

- roles, responsibilities and functions of key agencies and personnel participating in interagency and collaborative casework
- issues that may present and require action in investigation and risk assessment strategies
- organisational and interagency child protection frameworks
- options for intervention
- key principles of child protection work
- legislation and regulations of child protection work relevant to the investigation and assessment of children at risk
- organisational standards, policies and procedures.

Assessment Conditions

Skills must be demonstrated in the workplace, with the addition of simulations and scenarios where the full range of contexts and situations have not been provided in the workplace.

Assessment must ensure:

- access to facilities, equipment and resources that reflect real working conditions and model industry operating conditions and contingencies
- a detailed case study which reflects multi-agency roles and responsibilities
- access to organisational standards, policies and procedures
- opportunities for engagement with children and young people, personnel from other agencies and colleagues.

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

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