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Modification History

Release 1. This is the first release of this unit of competency in the CSC Correctional Services Training Package Release 4.0

Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria on two separate occasions and include:

- writing clear, accurate and relevant reports on offender behaviour and routines
- establishing and maintaining a supportive professional relationship with offenders and other stakeholders
- adapting responses to different risks, needs and situations
- demonstrating effective communication skills
- identifying, assessing and monitoring risks to offenders
- identifying and referring appropriate support services to vulnerable offenders.

Knowledge Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria and include knowledge of:

- indicators of risk, types of abuse and people who are particularly vulnerable, including indicators of:
 - suicide and self-harm
 - mental health factors
 - addiction and substance use
 - relationships and sexual behaviour
 - physical and cognitive disability
 - risk due to culture or diversity
 - past or current experience of trauma and abuse
- relevant legislation and organisational policies and procedures related to protecting offenders from risk and harm and reporting risks and incidents
- offender management system
- range of specialist support services and programs available to offenders at risk
- processes for getting advice and assistance
- least restrictive care principles.

Assessment Conditions

Assessors must hold credentials specified within the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

Assessment must satisfy the Principles of Assessment and Rules of Evidence and all regulatory requirements included within the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

Assessment must occur in workplace operational situations. Where this is not appropriate, assessment must occur in simulated workplace operational situations that reflect workplace conditions.

Assessment processes and techniques must be appropriate to the language, literacy and numeracy requirements of the work being performed and the needs of the candidate.

Resources for assessment must include access to:

- a range of relevant exercises, case studies and/or simulations
- acceptable means of simulation assessment
- applicable documentation, including workplace procedures, regulations, codes of practice and operation manuals
- relevant materials, tools, equipment and PPE currently used in industry.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=114e25cd-3a2c-4490-baae-47d68dcd2fde>