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HLT35021 Certificate III in Dental Assisting

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 5	Release 5. Supersedes and is equivalent to HLT35021 Certificate III in Dental Assisting release 4. Minor change to update Infection Control unit of competency.
Release 4	Release 4. Supersedes and is equivalent to HLT35021 Certificate III in Dental Assisting release 3. Minor change to update Infection Control unit of competency.
Release 3	Minor change. Addition of two electives. Equivalent outcome.
Release 2	Minor corrections to formatting to improve readability. Equivalent outcomes.
Release 1	HLT35021 Certificate III in Dental Assisting supersedes and is not equivalent to HLT35015 Certificate III in Dental Assisting.

Qualification Description

This qualification reflects the role of workers who assist dental practitioners during oral health care procedures. The role includes maintaining high standards of infection control, assisting with practice administration and supporting quality and professionalism in the dental sector.

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

To achieve this qualification, the candidate must have completed at least 350 hours of work as detailed in the Assessment Requirements of the Units of Competency.

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

Entry Requirements

There are no entry requirements for this qualification.

Packaging Rules

10 units must be completed:

- 8 core units
- 2 elective units from the electives listed below.

All electives chosen must contribute to a valid, industry-supported vocational outcome.

Core units

CHCCOM005	Communicate and work in health or community services
CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people
HLTDEN015	Prepare for and assist with dental procedures
HLTDEN016	Assist with dental radiography
HLTDEN017	Assist with administration in dental practice
HLTINF002	Process reusable medical devices and equipment
HLTINF006	Apply basic principles and practices of infection prevention and control
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety

Elective units

BSBTEC201	Use business software applications
BSBTWK201	Work effectively with others
CHCLEG001	Work legally and ethically
HLTAID011	Provide First Aid
HLTCCD003	Use medical terminology in health care
HLTDEN027	Take a clinical photograph
HLTDEN028	Provide effective oral hygiene instruction to patients with an oral health treatment plan
HLTDEN030	Assist the dental practitioner during medical emergencies in a dental setting
HLTDET001	Construct models
HLTDET005	Construct thermoformed bases and appliances
HLTOUT006	Transport emergency patients

HLTSTE003 Sterilise loads

Qualification Mapping Information

Supersedes and is not equivalent to HLT35015 Certificate III in Dental Assisting.

Links

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