



**Australian Government**

**HLT40221 Certificate IV in Aboriginal  
and/or Torres Strait Islander Primary  
Health Care Practice**

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## Modification History

Release	Comments
2	Minor change to replace superseded units of competency in the elective bank.
1	This qualification was first released in HLT Health Release 9.0.

## Qualification Description

This qualification reflects the role of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioners. It is specific to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people who work as part of a multidisciplinary health care team providing primary health care services to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander clients and communities.

They provide culturally safe health and wellbeing promotion, preventative health care and clinical treatment services in a diversity of locations including urban, rural and remote settings.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioners use initiative and judgement within the parameters of practice standards, treatment protocols and clinical supervision arrangements established by the employing organisation.

This qualification provides a pathway to work in a range of health care settings including Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community organisations, and the public or private health sector.

## Licensing/Regulatory Information

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioners are registered with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practice Board of Australia (ATSIHPBA) and, only when registered, can use the protected title of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander health practitioner. However, registration is not automatically linked to an individual's certification in this qualification. Current requirements for practitioners to complete an accredited program of study, and how training organisations accredit their program, should be checked with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practice Accreditation Committee (ATSIHPAC).

## Entry Requirements

This qualification has no entry requirements.

## Packaging Rules

19 units must be completed:

- 14 core units
- 5 elective units, consisting of:
  - 1 unit from Group A
  - 3 units from Group B
  - 1 unit from Group B or elsewhere in HLT Training Package, or any other current Training Package or accredited course.

The selection of electives must be guided by the job outcome sought, local industry requirements and the complexity of skills appropriate to the AQF level of this qualification.

Core	
CHCCOM002	Use communication to build relationships
CHCLEG001	Work legally and ethically
HLTAADV002	Support the rights and needs of clients
HLTAHCS004	Complete comprehensive physical health assessments
HLTAHCS006	Implement complex health care plans
HLTAHPR007	Promote lifestyle change
HLTAMED002	Support the safe use of medications
HLTAMED003	Administer medications
HLTASEW002	Assess and support the social and emotional wellbeing of clients
HLTAWOR002	Work in Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander primary health care
HLTAWOR003	Use and promote reflective practice in Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander primary health care

HLTAWOR004	Provide support to address social and cultural determinants of client and community health
HLTINF006	Apply basic principles and practices of infection prevention and control
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety
<b>Electives</b>	
<b>Group A: First aid</b>	
HLTAID011	Provide first aid
<b>Group B: Health care, health promotion and general electives</b>	
CHCAGE011	Provide support to people living with dementia
CHCAOD004	Assess needs of client with alcohol and other drugs issues
CHCAOD005	Provide alcohol and other drugs withdrawal services
CHCCCS003	Increase the safety of individuals at risk of suicide
CHCCCS014	Provide brief interventions
CHCCCS019	Recognise and respond to crisis situations
CHCCCS020	Respond effectively to behaviours of concern
CHCCOM005	Communicate and work in health or community services
CHCDFV001	Recognise and respond appropriately to domestic and family violence
CHCDFV002	Provide support to children affected by domestic and family violence
CHCDFV003	Promote community awareness of domestic and family violence
CHCDIS019	Provide person-centred services to people with disability with complex needs
CHCFAM010	Provide intervention support for families
CHCPAL003	Deliver care services using a palliative approach

CHCPAL004	<i>Contribute to planning and implementation of care services using a palliative approach</i>
CHCPRT025	Identify and report children and young people at risk
HLTAADV003	Support the rights and needs of clients in the justice system
HLTADM008	Administer and coordinate Telehealth services
HLTAEDR002	Assess and respond to medical emergencies
HLTAHCS003	Complete routine physical health assessments
HLTAHCS007	Provide support to men with cancer
HLTAHCS008	Provide support to women with cancer
HLTAHCS009	Provide support to clients with diabetes
HLTAHCS010	Provide support to clients with chronic disease
HLTAHCS011	Provide support to clients experiencing alcohol and other drugs problems
HLTAHCS012	Provide support to older clients
HLTAHCS013	Provide eye health care
HLTAHCS014	Provide ear health care
HLTAHCS015	Facilitate access to tertiary health services
HLTAHPR002	Promote awareness and early detection of cancer to men
HLTAHPR003	Promote awareness and early detection of cancer to women

HLTAHPR004	Promote awareness and early detection of diabetes
HLTAHPR005	Promote awareness and prevention of chronic disease
HLTAID013	Provide first aid in remote or isolated site
HLTAMAT001	Provide antenatal health care
HLTAMAT004	Assess children's health
HLTAMAT005	Provide health care for children
HLTASEW001	Work according to the principles of social and emotional wellbeing care
HLTASEW003	Provide support to clients affected by loss, grief or trauma
HLTASXH001	Promote men's sexual health
HLTASXH002	Promote women's sexual health
HLTAUD007	Conduct basic audiometric hearing
HLTAUD008	Conduct audiometric testing
HLTAUD009	Conduct audiometric screening for school age children
HLTOHC007	Recognise and respond to oral health issues
HLTOHC008	Inform and support patients and groups about oral health
HLTOHC009	Apply and use basic oral health products
HLTOHC010	Use basic oral health screening tools
HLTOHC011	Apply fluoride varnish
HLTPAT008	Identify and respond to clinical risks in pathology collection
HLTPAT009	Collect pathology specimens other than blood

HLTPAT014 *	Perform venous blood collection
HLTPOP015	Provide information on smoking and smoking cessation
HLTPOP016	Provide interventions to clients who are nicotine dependent
HLTPOP030	Determine and implement disease prevention and control measures
HLTPOP031	Provide information and support on environmental health issues
HLTWHS006	Manage personal stressors in the work environment

*Units listed in italics have prerequisite units of competency, which are also included in the appropriate group.*

\*A mandatory workplace requirement is specified in this unit.

## Pre-requisite Requirements

Unit of competency	Prerequisite requirement
CHCPAL004 Contribute to planning and implementation of care services using a palliative approach	CHCPAL003 Deliver care services using a palliative approach

## Qualification Mapping Information

Current Code and Title	Previous Code and Title	Comments	Equivalence
HLT40221 Certificate IV in Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care Practice	HLT40213 Certificate IV in Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care Practice	Non Equivalent. Packaging rules updated. Core and elective lists updated.	Not-Equivalent

## Links

Companion volumes, including implementation guides, are found on the national training register - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=ced1390f-48d9-4ab0-bd50-b015e5485705>.