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HLT47121 Certificate IV in Hospital or Health Services Pharmacy Support

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Modification History

Not applicable.

Qualification Description

This qualification reflects the role of pharmacy technicians who work under the supervision of a pharmacist in a hospital or community setting. This may include pharmacies that are located outside of health services but supply medicines and products to hospitals and other health services.

To achieve this qualification, the individual must have completed a total of least 240 hours of work in a hospital or health services pharmacy setting in Australia as detailed in the Assessment Requirements of the units of competency. The total number of hours may be applied collectively across all units of competency that include the requirement for workplace hours.

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

No licensing, legislative, regulatory or certification requirements apply to this Qualification at the time of publication.

Entry Requirements

Entry to this qualification is open to individuals who:

- have achieved the *HLT37121 Certificate III in Hospital or Health Services Pharmacy Support*
or
- have achieved the *HLT37115 Certificate III in Hospital/Health Services Pharmacy Support*
or
- have a minimum of one year of industry employment experience as a hospital or health services pharmacy assistant/technician, in a job role that has involved the application of skills and knowledge described within the *HLT37121 Certificate III in Hospital or Health Services Pharmacy Support* or *HLT37115 Certificate III in Hospital/Health Services Pharmacy Support* qualifications
or
- have a minimum of one year of industry employment experience as a community pharmacy assistant/technician, in a job role that has involved the application of skills and knowledge described within the *SIR30116 Certificate III in Community Pharmacy* qualification.

Packaging Rules

21 units must be completed:

- 13 core units
- 8 elective units, consisting of:
 - at least 3 units from those units listed under Groups A, B, or C
 - Up to 5 units from the electives listed below.

Any combination of electives that meets the rules above can be selected for the award of the *Certificate IV in Hospital or Health Services Pharmacy Support*. Electives may be packaged to provide a qualification with a specialisation, as outlined below.

Packaging for each specialisation:

All Group A electives with the remaining 5 units from either Groups B, C or D must be selected for the award of the *Certificate IV in Hospital or Health Services Pharmacy Support (Compounding)*.

All Group B electives with the remaining 6 units from either Groups A, C or D must be selected for the award of the *Certificate IV in Hospital or Health Services Pharmacy Support (Clinical Support)*.

All Group C electives with the remaining 5 units from either Groups A, B or D must be selected for the award of the *Certificate IV in Hospital or Health Services Pharmacy Support (Leadership)*.

- Where two specialisations are completed award of the qualification would read *Certificate IV in Hospital or Health Services Pharmacy Support (Compounding, Clinical Support) or Certificate IV in Hospital or Health Services Pharmacy Support (Compounding, Leadership) or Certificate IV in Hospital or Health Services Pharmacy Support (Clinical Support, Leadership)*.

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 Units

- BSBLDR414 Lead team effectiveness
- CHCDIV001 Work with diverse people
- CHCPRP003 Reflect on and improve own professional practice
- HLTCCD003 Use medical terminology in health care
- HLTPHA010 Maintain pharmaceutical imprest stock
- HLTPHA011 Pack pharmaceutical products
- HLTPHA012 Dispense prescriptions and medication orders
- HLTPHA013 Order, maintain and distribute pharmaceutical stock

- HLTPHA015 Provide assistance in dispensary administration
- HLTPHA020 Apply knowledge of biological principles within the pharmacy environment
- HLTPHA021 Apply knowledge of medications used to assist patients in using medications effectively
- HLTPHA029 Apply knowledge of chemical principles as they apply to pharmacy activity
- HLTWHS003 Maintain work health and safety

Elective Units

Group A: COMPOUNDING specialisation

- FBPPHM3020 Apply Good Manufacturing Practice requirements
- HLTPHA014 Conduct small-scale compounding and labelling of pharmaceutical products
- HLTPHA016 Conduct small-scale compounding and labelling of aseptic pharmaceutical products

Group B: CLINICAL SUPPORT Specialisation

- HLTPHA017 Support pharmacist's communication with patients and other health professionals
- HLTPHA018 Support pharmacists in the collection and presentation of workplace data and information

Group C: LEADERSHIP Specialisation

- BSBHRM415 Coordinate recruitment and onboarding
- BSBST402 Implement continuous improvement
- HLTPHA019 Coordinate communication processes in a hospital or health services pharmacy setting

Group D: Other Electives

- HLTPHA022 Apply knowledge of gastrointestinal and nutritional disorders to dispense medication
- HLTPHA023 Apply knowledge of cardio-respiratory disorders to dispense medication
- HLTPHA024 Apply knowledge of central nervous system disorders to dispense

medication

- HLTPHA025 Apply knowledge of medications used for infections, immunological products and vaccines
- HLTPHA026 Apply knowledge of endocrine and genitourinary disorders to dispense medication
- HLTPHA027 Apply knowledge of malignant diseases and immunosuppressive disorders to dispense medication
- HLTPHA028 Apply knowledge of eye, ear and nose disorders to dispense medication
- HLTPHA030 Apply knowledge of medications used to provide analgesia
- HLTPHA031 Apply knowledge of musculoskeletal disorders to dispense medication
- HLTPHA032 Apply knowledge of dermatological disorders to dispense medication

Qualification Mapping Information

Supersedes and is not equivalent to HLT47115 Certificate IV in Hospital/Health Services Pharmacy Support

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=ced1390f-48d9-4ab0-bd50-b015e5485705>