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HLT57821 Diploma of Orthopaedic Technology

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Modification History

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Release 3	Release 3. Supersedes and is equivalent to HLT57821 Diploma of Orthopaedic Technology release 2. Minor change to update Infection Control unit of competency.
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Release 1	No equivalent qualification.

Qualification Description

This qualification reflects the job roles of orthopaedic technologists, orthopaedic technicians and cast technicians who are responsible for the fabrication, application, modification and removal of orthopaedic devices and materials.

Orthopaedic technologists, orthopaedic technicians and cast technicians work in a hospital setting and deliver orthopaedic technology services to maximise functional outcomes for clients at the request of registered health professionals.

To achieve this qualification, the individual must have completed at least 400 hours of work in a clinical workplace environment as detailed in the assessment requirements of the relevant 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 occupational licensing, certification or specific legislative requirements apply to this qualification at the time of publication.

Entry Requirements

Entry to this qualification is open to individuals who have:

- completed one of the following qualifications or equivalent; or a qualification that supersedes one of the qualifications listed below:
 - HLT33015 Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance; or
 - HLT33115 Certificate III in Health Services Assistance; or
 - HLT43015 Certificate IV in Allied Health Assistance; or

- HLT41412 Certificate IV in Cast Technology; or
- HLT54115 Diploma of Nursing; or
- HLT54121 Diploma of Nursing.

Packaging Rules

15 units must be completed:

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

The selection of electives must be guided by the job outcome sought and local industry requirements.

Core units

BSBMED301	Interpret and apply medical terminology appropriately
CHCCOM005	Communicate and work in health or community services
CHCCOM006	Establish and manage client relationships
CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people
CHCLEG001	Work legally and ethically
HLTAAP002	Confirm physical health status
HLTAAP003	Analyse and respond to client health information
HLTOTH001	Apply casts
HLTOTH002	Modify casts
HLTOTH003	Remove casts
HLTOTH004	Apply orthopaedic devices
HLTOTH005	Modify orthopaedic devices
HLTOTH006	Remove orthopaedic devices

Elective units

BSBOPS304	Deliver and monitor a service to customers
CHCCCS006	Facilitate individual service planning and delivery

CHCCCS010	Maintain a high standard of service
CHCDIV002	Promote Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety
CHCMGT006	Coordinate client directed services
HLTINF006	Apply basic principles and practices of infection prevention and control
HLTOTH007	Apply and remove traction
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety

Qualification Mapping Information

No equivalent qualification.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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