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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version was released in <i>HLT Health Training Package release 2.0</i> and meets the requirements of the 2012 Standards for Training Packages. Significant changes to the elements and performance criteria. New evidence requirements for assessment including volume and frequency requirements. Minimum work hours added. Removal of pre-requisite.

Performance Evidence

The candidate must show evidence of the ability to complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit, manage tasks and manage contingencies in the context of the job role. There must be evidence that the candidate has:

- worked with 3 different clients, 1 in a simulated environment and 2 in the workplace, for speech/language therapeutic outcomes following an established speech pathology program
- performed the activities outlined in the performance criteria of this unit during a period of at least 120 hours of work

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must be able to demonstrate essential knowledge required to effectively complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit, manage tasks and manage contingencies in the context of the work role. This includes knowledge of:

- normal speech and language processes across the lifespan
- the range of communication disorders affecting areas of:
 - speech (articulation, phonology)
 - expressive and receptive language
 - reading and writing
 - pragmatics
 - fluency
 - voice
- cognitive skills (memory, attention, new learning, problem solving)

- communication disorders that may arise from:
 - congenital abnormalities
 - developmental delay
 - acquired injury and disease
 - degenerative disease
- the anatomy and physiology of the body systems pertaining to structures and systems affecting communication
- legal and ethical considerations relevant to allied health:
 - duty of care
 - discrimination
 - informed consent
 - work health and safety (WHS):
 - manual handling including identification and control of manual task risk factors

Assessment Conditions

All aspects of the performance evidence must have been demonstrated using simulation prior to being demonstrated in a therapeutic workplace under the direction and supervision (direct, indirect, remote) as determined by the speech pathologist.

The following conditions must be met for this unit:

- use of suitable facilities, equipment and resources, including individualised plans and any relevant equipment outlined in the plan
- modelling of industry operating conditions and contingencies, including provision of services to real people

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) 2015/AQTF mandatory competency requirements for assessors.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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