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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. Significant change to knowledge evidence.

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:

- delivered therapeutic support and skill development for 3 clients with dysphagia, 1 in a simulated environment and 2 in the workplace
- 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, manages tasks and manage contingencies in the context of the work role. This includes knowledge of:

- secondary complications of dysphagia and an awareness of risk management protocols in response to adverse reactions/events
- basic anatomy and physiology of body systems pertaining to structures affecting eating and swallowing
- normal processes of eating and swallowing and changes to swallowing that occur over the lifespan
- organisation food safety program and procedures
- postures and positioning for safe swallowing
- techniques used in assessment of eating and swallowing, including:
 - bedside assessment

- video fluoroscopy
- disorders of eating and swallowing that may arise from:
 - acquired injury and disease
 - congenital abnormalities
 - degenerative disease
 - developmental delay
- legal and ethical considerations relevant to allied health:
 - duty of care
 - 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>