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Assessment Requirements for HLTAHA052 Assist with social work

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Modification History

Not applicable.

Performance Evidence

Evidence of the ability to complete tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit in the context of the job role, and:

- assist with three social work activities, one in a simulated environment and two in the workplace
- perform the activities outlined in the performance criteria of this unit during a period of at least 120 hours of allied health assistance work. At least 60% of this work must be carried out in an allied health workplace. The remaining 40% may be carried out in a simulated environment, if an allied health workplace is unavailable.

Knowledge Evidence

Demonstrated knowledge required to complete the tasks outlined in elements and performance criteria of this unit:

- procedures for escalation of risks
- allied health core competencies:
 - person-centred care
 - individual therapy
 - group therapy
 - communication of information
 - equipment and environment
- key features and the role of the Allied Health Assistant in allied health disciplines
- terminology used by allied health care workers
- communication techniques including:
 - use of open-ended questions
 - active listening
 - asking for clarification and probing
 - responses to a range of views from person, carers or others
 - understanding use of empathy with person, carers or colleagues
 - using discretion and confidentiality, respecting individual differences especially when using touch and other non-verbal means of communication
 - use of interpreters
- scope of role of the Allied Health Assistant and Social Worker
- organisational policies and procedures in relation to:

- confidentiality:
 - privacy
 - disclosure
- duty of care
- documentation:
 - reporting
 - recording patient data
 - written communication to Social Worker
- professional behaviour and presentation
- infection control practices
- work health and safety (WHS)
- manual handling
- supervision and delegation
- availability of services and the services they provide both within the organisation and in the community, including:
 - Centrelink, Medicare and other government agencies
 - community based organisations
- commonly used screening and assessment tools
- social and interpersonal behaviour
- principles of empowering the older person
- principles of empowering people living with disability or serious mental illness
- concepts of the medical model, the biopsychosocial models and the human rights-based approach of allied health interventions
- principles of choice and control
- concept of reablement
- allied health settings:
 - hospital
 - community health
 - mental health
 - disability sector
 - aged care sectors.

Assessment Conditions

Skills may be demonstrated in the workplace, or in a simulated environment, as per the conditions outlined in the performance evidence.

Assessment must ensure access to:

- access to suitable facilities, equipment and resources that reflect real working conditions and model industry operating conditions and contingencies
- access to individualised plans and any relevant equipment outlined in the plan
- access to organisational policies and procedures

- opportunities for engagement with real people accessing allied health services.

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisations requirements for assessors, and:

- be a Certificate IV qualified Allied Health Assistant with a minimum of three years of professional experience in social work; or
- an accredited Social Worker.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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