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# **HLTANA006 Assist with clinical procedures used in anaesthesia**

**Release: 2**

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### Modification History

| Release   | Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| Release 1 | <p>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.</p> <p>Significant changes to the elements and performance criteria. New evidence requirements for assessment, including volume and frequency requirements. Significant change to knowledge evidence.</p> |

### Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to plan and prepare for anaesthesia for a range of surgical specialities, and provide assistance to the anaesthetist during regional anaesthesia, invasive monitoring and other anaesthetic related procedures. It includes the ability to prepare and monitor both client and equipment during the procedure.

This unit applies to anaesthetic technicians working under the direction of, and in consultation with, an anaesthetist in any hospital or day surgery setting.

*The skills in this unit must be applied in accordance with Commonwealth and State/Territory legislation, Australian/New Zealand standards and industry codes of practice.*

### Elements and Performance Criteria

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#### PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

*Elements define the essential outcomes*

*Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element*

#### 1. Prepare client and equipment

1.1 Read procedure information, check anaesthetist requirements and surgical factors that may impact on the anaesthetic procedure

1.2 Develop and communicate individualised anaesthesia plan in collaboration with anaesthetist

1.3 Select and prepare equipment and materials in relation to sequence and requirements of the clients and their anaesthetic procedure

1.4 Ensure all relevant anaesthetic equipment and

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materials are clean/disinfected/sterile, functioning correctly, prepared for use, and if necessary, calibrated

1.5 Position equipment and materials for accessibility

1.6 Accurately document accountable anaesthetic items

1.7 Position the client for the procedure and provide optimum conditions to facilitate access

1.8 Check environment for administration of anaesthesia and adjust accordingly

2. Provide assistance to the anaesthetist

2.1 Provide assistance to the anaesthetist during anaesthetic procedures and the induction, maintenance and completion of anaesthesia

2.2 Check client's physiological parameters when required or as directed by anaesthetist

2.3 Complete required documentation

2.4 Identify, validate and report deviations from acceptable limits of the client's physiological parameters to the anaesthetist

2.5 Report signs of client discomfort, distress or adverse reaction to the anaesthetist

2.6 Assist with the perioperative medical management of the patient

3. Restore equipment and environment at completion of procedure

3.1 Clean, disinfect or sterilise equipment in accordance with infection control guidelines and manufacturer's instructions

3.2 Manage faulty equipment in accordance with organisation policies and procedures and manufacturer's guidelines

3.3 Restore the environment to required status

3.4 Restock consumables according to facility requirements

## Foundation Skills

*The Foundation Skills describe those required skills (language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills) that are essential to performance.*

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

## Unit Mapping Information

No equivalent unit.

## Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -  
<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=ced1390f-48d9-4ab0-bd50-b015e5485705>