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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 2	Release 2 HLTDEN028 Provide effective oral hygiene instruction to patients with an oral health treatment plan supersedes and is equivalent to Release 1 HLTDEN028 Provide effective oral hygiene instruction to patients with an oral health treatment plan. Updated: Mapping details and minor corrections.
Release 1	HLTDEN028 Provide effective oral hygiene instruction to patients with an oral health treatment plan. New unit. No equivalent unit.

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:

- provide oral hygiene information and instruction to at least three patients to address their oral health care needs including:
 - selecting suitable oral hygiene aids, including proximal cleaning aids, for a person with:
 - fixed or removable prosthodontic appliances
 - fixed or removable orthodontic appliances
 - general oral health care needs
- select a suitable chemotherapeutic product to support oral health care needs for a patient with each the following conditions:
 - high caries risk
 - dry mouth
 - gingivitis
- provide effective oral hygiene instruction and information to at least three patients including:
 - demonstrating of how to use chosen oral hygiene aids
 - discussing risk associated with poor oral hygiene habits

- providing encouragement and support the patient implement home care oral health regimes as recommended by the practitioner.

Knowledge Evidence

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

- basic anatomy and physiology underpinning oral health, including what is considered healthy and unhealthy
- patient behaviour and habits which contribute to oral health issues
- National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) Fluoride Guidelines
 - safety
 - effectiveness of fluoride
- causes and prevention of tooth decay, gum disease and tooth wear including erosion, abrasion and attrition
- effective self-care practices for oral health including cause, control and prevention of dental biofilm
- factors that impact on oral health, including:
 - neglect of oral health needs including poor oral hygiene
 - access to dental and health services
 - diet and nutrition, including fluids and excessive intake of sugar
 - available over the counter chemotherapeutics to prevent or manage oral disease
 - presence of plaque and calculus
 - psychological issues
 - social and cultural determinants of health
 - susceptible tooth surfaces
 - role of saliva in caries risk
- healthy eating and drinking recommendations as identified in National Health and Medical Research Council's (NHMRC) Australian dietary guidelines
- special needs of patients
 - chronic conditions
 - ageing
 - disabilities
 - physical
 - cognitive
 - smokers
- features of toothbrushes that contribute to improved oral hygiene
- current tooth brushing recommendations that are appropriate for the age group
- limitations in providing instruction or information for patients with complex dental or medical needs
- limitations in providing instruction or information relating to high-risk chemotherapeutic agents including fluoride content of 5000ppm or greater.

Assessment Conditions

Skills must be demonstrated in the workplace or in a simulated environment that reflects workplace conditions.

Assessment must ensure:

- access to suitable facilities, equipment and resources including a range of chemotherapeutics and oral hygiene aids
- access to current Dental Board of Australia (DBA) and Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) guidelines and practice standards
- access to National Health and Medical Research Council's (NHMRC) Australian dietary guidelines
- modelling of industry operating conditions, including access to people for simulations and scenarios in dental assisting work

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisations' requirements for assessors and hold a minimum of five years clinical dental experience.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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