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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version was released in <i>HLT Health Training Package release 3.0</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. Minimal change to knowledge evidence. Supersedes HLTEN601B

Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to assist people with an orthopaedic conditions to regain optimal function and lifestyle.

Enrolled nurses providing orthopaedic nursing care need to hold and apply specialised in-depth knowledge, effectively integrate theory and practice, and make reliable clinical assessments and judgements.

This unit applies to enrolled nurses, registered with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia, seeking specialisation in enrolled nurse work that is carried out in consultation and collaboration with registered nurses, and under direct or indirect supervisory arrangements aligned to the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia regulatory authority legislative requirements.

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

ELEMENT

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

Elements define the essential outcomes

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

1. Work in interdisciplinary health care team caring for a person with an orthopaedic

1.1 Provide nursing care that supports the interdisciplinary health care team in caring for the person with an orthopaedic condition

condition

1.2 Work effectively in the interdisciplinary health care team to foster positive group dynamics with other health care professionals

1.3 Identify when the acuity of a person is beyond own skills and knowledge and promptly consult with registered nurse and relevant interdisciplinary health care team

1.4 Use critical thinking and problem-solving approaches to propose actions and implement nursing interventions, in consultation with registered nurse and relevant interdisciplinary health care team

2. Clarify the impact of the orthopaedic condition on the person, family and carer

2.1 Maintain current knowledge of orthopaedic conditions and associated pathophysiology as they apply to each clinical manifestation

2.2 Identify the psychosocial impact and potential complications for the person and clarify their needs

2.3 Discuss impacts and complications of the person's condition with the person, and their family or carer, as appropriate within scope of practice

2.4 Contribute to long-term management and planning of the recovery phase of care required for the person with an orthopaedic condition

3. Actively promote improvement and advancement of orthopaedic nursing

3.1 Monitor and evaluate own nursing care provided to the person to assist with organisation continuous improvement

3.2 Evaluate nursing interventions provided and consider outcomes against evidence-based best practice in orthopaedic nursing

3.3 Seek out opportunities and participate in professional development, acquiring knowledge to guide own practice and acting as a resource for colleagues

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>