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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:

- source and summarise three credible pieces of information on the theory and practice of massage including one from each of the following:
 - Commonwealth Government
 - State or Territory Government
 - primary scientific research
- communicate key messages about massage therapy to meet the information needs of at least three different audiences, each using a different communication method
- identify and evaluate effective strategies for own practice that cover:
 - personal health
 - sustainable practice
 - career longevity.

Knowledge Evidence

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

- historical development of massage
- key components of the Australian health care system
- place of massage practice in the broader health care system
- types of massage treatments and their key features and purpose including the difference between relaxation and remedial massage
- key features of complementary therapies used in conjunction with massage
- key features of allied health services and their relationship to massage
- types and information needs of massage clients
- methods of communicating with clients:
 - face-to-face
 - virtual online
 - telephone
 - email
 - social media

- physical correspondence
- professional massage networks and industry bodies
- models of professional massage practice and their career opportunities
- components of sustainable practice and their impact:
 - economic including opportunities and viability
 - environmental
 - human including personal health and professional development
 - social responsibility
- Commonwealth and State or Territory legal requirements and ethical considerations and how these are applied in individual practice:
 - children in the workplace
 - codes of conduct
 - continuing professional education
 - discrimination
 - duty of care
 - human rights
 - informed consent
 - insurance requirements
 - mandatory reporting
 - therapist and client boundaries
 - privacy, confidentiality and disclosure
 - records management
 - work role boundaries including responsibilities and limitations
 - work health and safety.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment must be conducted in a simulated workplace environment set up for the purpose of skills assessment.

Assessment must ensure access to:

- digital technology for sourcing information
- Commonwealth and State or Territory legislation and regulation that applies to massage practices.

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisations' requirements for assessors; and

- have current clinical experience working as a remedial massage therapist, myotherapist or soft tissue therapist providing services to the general public, and
- hold current practising membership of a relevant Australian professional body that represents remedial massage therapists, myotherapists, or soft tissue therapists.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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