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HLTPOP029 Work in a population health context

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Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to apply current context, philosophy and key principles of population health to work in the community.

This unit applies to work in a public health context and workers at this level will work under supervision within established guidelines.

No occupational licensing, certification or specific legislative requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS

Elements describe the essential outcomes

1. Plan for work in population health.
2. Gather information on the organisations that support population health work.
3. Work within the context of the population health approach.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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

- 1.1. Research current concepts of health and its determinants.
- 1.2. Identify key principles to a population health approach and use to assess current work approach.
- 2.1. Identify relevant local, State or Territory and national organisations supporting population health work.
- 2.2. Clarify each organisation's contribution to population health work.
- 3.1. Incorporate consideration of the historical, social, political and economic context of population health into own work.
- 3.2. Apply key principles of population health approach to own

work.

- 3.3. Check all work to ensure it complies with relevant legislative and regulatory frameworks, including relevant workplace health and safety standards.

Foundation Skills

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

Unit Mapping Information

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Assessment Requirements for HLTPOP029 Work in a population health context

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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:

- identify at least three organisations that support population health work and their contributions
- identify and research how work will incorporate context and key principles of population health approach relevant to work with at least one community or project.

Knowledge Evidence

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

- recent public health strategies and relevant local codes of practice, legislation and regulatory frameworks
- health determinants, including:
 - political
 - biological and genetic factors
 - physical environment
 - socio-economic factors, including:
 - social gradient
 - stress
 - social exclusion
 - work

- unemployment
- social support
- addiction
- food
- transport
- housing
- behavioural
- cultural
- quality of health services
- concepts and models of health, including:
 - medical model
 - salutogenic model
 - social view of health
 - academic and professional
- historical, social, political and economic context of population health work and how it relates to and affects environmental health and the subsequent impact on individual and community needs
- principles of health promotion
- principles of population health, including those focused on working with Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander communities
- equity issues in population health
- national, State or Territory and local health initiatives and priorities
- the major organisations involved in population health in Australia and their contributions
- different models of work in the population health sector, including:
 - early intervention and/or disease prevention
 - community development and education
 - health promotion
 - working with individuals
 - working with families and the community
 - Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander environmental health worker, community funded or government funded
- multi-sectoral and multi-strategic approach to population health
- basic Work, Health and Safety (WHS) principles.

Assessment Conditions

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

Where simulation is used, it must reflect real working conditions by modelling industry operating conditions and contingencies.

Assessment must ensure access to:

- suitable facilities, equipment and resources.

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

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