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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	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. Significant changes to the elements and performance criteria. New evidence requirements for assessment, including volume and frequency requirements. Removed prerequisite.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to prepare, transfer and position clients for operative procedures.

This unit applies to operating theatre technicians and other theatre staff who work under the supervision of the anaesthetist and other members of the operating room team.

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. Prepare clients for procedure

1.1 Determine preparation needs from review of information

1.2 Select and use personal protective equipment appropriate to procedure

1.3 Adopt standard and additional infection control guidelines and precautions according to organisation documented procedure

1.4 Attach equipment safely and securely to appropriate sites

1.5 Safely detach equipment when no longer required

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with minimum risk of damage to client, staff or equipment

1.6 Safely store equipment in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations, or prepare ready for re-use

1.7 Follow established procedures if equipment is found to be faulty

2. Assist with client transfer

2.1 Identify correct operating table and table orientation before client is transferred

2.2 Inform relevant personnel of actions to be performed

2.3 Detach equipment not required following correct procedure and infection control requirements

2.4 Safely and correctly adjust equipment attached to client during transfer

2.5 Maintain a safe working area and clear passage at all times assessing and controlling for manual task risk factors

2.6 Minimise and respond to client discomfort during transfer

2.7 Re-connect and position equipment once transfer is completed following infection control requirements

2.8 Maintain client's dignity before, during and after transfer

3. Position clients for operative procedure

3.1 Inform client of positioning procedure, reassure and seek co-operation as required

3.2 Ensure relevant equipment is available and correctly positioned

3.3 Take into account individual client needs and confirm with relevant personnel

3.4 Follow correct manual handling procedures and seek assistance

3.5 Safely position client to meet the requirements of the

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anaesthetist and surgeon and the clients condition

3.6 Seek confirmation of correct position from anaesthetist and surgeon

3.7 Maintain the client in correct position as required, using assistive equipment when available

3.8 Maintain client's dignity during positioning

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>