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PSPFRU013 Anticipate and detect possible fraud activity

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Modification History

Supersedes and is equivalent to PSPFRU004 Anticipate and detect possible fraud activity.

Application

This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to undertake strategic analysis and detection of corruption or fraudulent activities.

This unit applies to those working in a dedicated investigatory role, or one in which workplace activities require ethical actions, complying with legislation or exercising regulatory powers. Those undertaking this unit work independently performing complex tasks, in a range of familiar contexts.

The skills in this unit must be applied in accordance with Commonwealth and State or Territory legislation, Australian standards and industry codes of practice.

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Competency Field

Fraud control

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS

Elements describe the essential outcomes

1. Hypothesise fraud and corruption situations.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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

- 1.1. Formulate hypotheses and specify guidelines for input into information system design.
- 1.2. Collect data and information to support hypotheses and guidelines.
- 1.3. Identify new potential risk areas using hypothetical fraud and corruption situations.

2. Initiate projects to test newly identified risk areas.
 - 2.1. Initiate new projects and define parameters in accordance with fraud and corruption control plan.
 - 2.2. Justify significance and value of the project ensuring consistency with fraud and corruption control plan.
 - 2.3. Review previous and ongoing activities in relevant areas for contribution to the project outcomes.
 - 2.4. Design project activities for the identification of risks.
3. Analyse trends in fraud and corruption activities and investigations.
 - 3.1. Identify emerging patterns of behaviour reflected in data.
 - 3.2. Draw conclusions from previous investigations, data, statistics and qualitative sources.
 - 3.3. Identify risks and strengths through analysis of trends.
 - 3.4. Include discussion with experienced staff as an additional source of information on trends.
 - 3.5. Use networks to provide useful contacts and information for investigation.
 - 3.6. Produce performance reports that identify trends in fraud and corruption activities and investigations.
4. Recommend course(s) of action.
 - 4.1. Evaluate relevant elements to inform recommendations.
 - 4.2. Identify investigation targets and refer suggestions for future areas of investigation to management.
 - 4.3. Recommend changes to organisational controls and initiatives to target potential trouble spots.
 - 4.4. Use checking processes to confirm reliability of data.
 - 4.5. Recommend feasible options to management.
5. Provide information on recommended actions.
 - 5.1. Provide reports containing suggestions for actions and sufficient supporting information for management to resource future projects.
 - 5.2. Provide advice regarding appropriate controls and initiatives required to address fraud and corruption.
 - 5.3. Prepare and give operational briefings and other presentations that provide current and accurate information about fraud and corruption issues.
 - 5.4. Explain operational risks as they arise.
 - 5.5. Give information that clearly explains the nature of possible risk, with suggested solutions.

Foundation Skills

Foundation skills essential to performance in this unit, but not explicit in the performance criteria are listed here, along with a brief context statement.

SKILLS	DESCRIPTION
Numeracy skills to:	interpret data and apply in support of recommendations and advice.
Planning and organising skills to:	collaborate effectively with staff and other personnel in the investigation of trends and developing recommendations.

Unit Mapping Information

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Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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Assessment Requirements for PSPFRU013 Anticipate and detect possible fraud activity

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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 on at least one occasion:

- analyse trends in fraud and corruption activities and investigations
- hypothesise fraud and corruption situations
- undertake the timely detection of fraud and corruption and the identification of fraud and corruption trends
- explain complex concepts and recommendations relating to risk control
- collect data and information from a variety of sources and methods, including fraud and corruption records, audit records, fraud and corruption risk assessment, past investigations and other organisations.

Knowledge Evidence

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

- agency structure and core business activities
- legislation, policies and procedures relating to anticipation and detection of fraud and corruption activities, including privacy and confidentiality requirements
- agency procedures relating to public interest disclosures, protected disclosures or whistleblowing legislation
- fraud and corruption and how they relate to the specific functions and activities of the organisation, together with an understanding of ethical standards required by the organisation of its staff, contractors and suppliers
- methods for anticipating and detecting possible fraud and corruption activity
- fraud and corruption control guidelines
- fraud investigation standards
- public sector values and codes of conduct.

Assessment Conditions

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

Assessment must ensure access to:

- legislation, policies and procedures relating to anticipation and detection of fraud and corruption activities, including privacy and confidentiality requirements
- resources and equipment of the working environment.

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

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