



Australian Government

PSPREG046 Manage investigations

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Modification History

Supersedes and is not equivalent to PSPREG025 Manage investigations.

Application

This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to plan, document and allocate resources to manage and review investigations in accordance with commonwealth and jurisdictional law, policy and procedures.

This unit applies to those working in regulatory roles involving investigations. Those undertaking this unit work autonomously, performing complex tasks in a range of familiar and unfamiliar 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

Regulatory

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS

Elements describe the essential outcomes

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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

1. Plan investigations.
 - 1.1. Prepare a plan that reflects analysis of available factors to set directions for the investigation.
 - 1.2. Define investigation aims and objectives to provide operational focus.
 - 1.3. Conduct risk assessments to identify investigational opportunities and limitations and formulate a security plan.
 - 1.4. Prioritise investigatory phases and tasks to inform the sequence of activities and provide for future review of the investigation process.
 - 1.5. Select and authorise methods to achieve the investigation aims and objectives.
 - 1.6. Establish communication channels with appropriate personnel to facilitate contact during the operation.
 - 1.7. Initiate a case management system to facilitate the planning, resolution and review of the investigation.
 - 1.8. Develop plans that are sufficiently flexible and adaptable to accommodate any unforeseen contingencies or issues that may arise.
2. Prepare documentation to support the investigation.
 - 2.1. Record all relevant information in a chronological and accurate manner.
 - 2.2. Compile operational documentation to provide an ongoing reference for operatives and a formal record for evidentiary purposes.
 - 2.3. Ensure recording procedures comply with security and evidentiary requirements.
3. Identify, use and coordinate resources.
 - 3.1. Identify and access available resource requirements to support the operation.
 - 3.2. Identify contingency responses that address any resource limitations.
 - 3.3. Manage resource usage to achieve the desired aim(s).
 - 3.4. Monitor and control operational costs.
4. Review investigations.
 - 4.1. Review investigation outcomes against the aims and objectives specified in the investigation plan.
 - 4.2. Review procedures for adherence to organisational policies and guidelines.
 - 4.3. Complete post-investigation procedures to finalise the investigation.
 - 4.4. Disseminate review outcomes and use to inform future

practice.

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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Links

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Assessment Requirements for PSPREG046 Manage investigations

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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:

- write preparatory documents, including:
 - investigation plans
 - tactical plans
 - resource bids
- manage budgetary, human and physical resources and their allocation and access in accordance with organisation policies and procedures
- review investigation outcomes
- complete post investigation procedures.

Knowledge Evidence

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

- government and policy environments
- different types of criminal activity and their elements
- available resources which may need to be deployed to support investigations
- security issues and classifications
- all legislation, regulation, policies and procedures pertaining to the conduct of investigations within the officer's organisational environment
- investigation principles and case management systems, and contexts in which these can be applied
- court procedures and evidentiary requirements.

Assessment Conditions

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

Assessment must ensure access to:

- all applicable legislation, regulation, policy and procedures pertaining to the conduct of investigations within the officer's organisational environment .of the job role.

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

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