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Modification History

Release	TP Version	Comments
2	PUA12 V2	Application of the Unit added Performance Criteria amended to make intent clearer but the intent has not changed Method of assessment added
1	PUA00 V8.1	Primary release on TGA

Unit Descriptor

This unit covers the competency required to implement public safety risk prevention strategies which can be used to reduce the risk to the community.

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

Application of the Unit

This unit applies to personnel required to work with individuals and community groups to implement public safety risk prevention strategies within their area of responsibility.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

Not applicable.

Pre-Requisites

Not applicable.

Employability Skills Information

This unit contains employability skills.

Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a Unit of Competency.

Performance Criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Where ***bold italicised*** text is used, further information is detailed in the Range Statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the Evidence Guide.

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENT

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

1. Provide advice on prevention strategy

- 1.1 ***Public safety risk prevention strategies*** are identified taking into account available information on hazards and environmental conditions.
- 1.2 ***Assessment of public safety risk prevention strategies*** is conducted against ***organisational criteria***.
- 1.3 Advice is provided to ***local forums*** on public safety risk prevention strategies in accordance with ***organisational policy and procedures***.
- 1.4 Type of risk, locality, and protection of life, property and the environment are taken into account in advice provided.

2. Implement and monitor prevention strategies

- 2.1 Risk prevention activity is implemented in accordance with selected strategies.
- 2.2 ***Communication*** and coordination of prevention activities is implemented with ***relevant authorities and other responsible organisations***.
- 2.3 Progress reports are provided to ***stakeholders*** in line with organisational policies and procedures.

3. Review implementation of prevention strategies

- 3.1 Stakeholders are advised of the outcome of the implementation in line with organisational policies and procedures.
- 3.1 Recommendations are ***documented*** and provided to appropriate personnel as proposed amendments to prevention strategies.

Required Skills and Knowledge

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level, required for this unit.

Required Skills

- analyse needs
- communicate effectively verbally and in writing
- negotiate
- resolve conflicts

Required Knowledge

- emergency management concepts and principles
- legislative requirements relevant to emergency management
- organisational policies and procedures
- organisational documentation (emergency/disaster management plans, standard operating procedures, policies, procedures and guidelines)
- problem solving and decision making techniques
- relevant legislation, regulations and codes of practice
- source of risk (commercial and legal relationships, economic, human behaviour, individual activities, management activities and controls, natural events, political circumstances, technology/technical issues)
- techniques for the prioritisation and evaluation of public safety risk management systems

Evidence Guide

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment Guidelines for this Training Package.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- Effectively implement the selected public safety risk prevention strategy.
- Review the effectiveness of these strategies and provide feedback
- Ensure risk prevention strategies implemented by personnel are consistent with the organisation's community safety policy and approved arrangements.

Consistency in performance

Competency should be demonstrated over time in a range of actual or simulated workplace environments.

Context of and specific resources for assessment

Context of assessment

Competency should be assessed on-the-job or in a simulated workplace environment.

Specific resources for assessment

Access is required to:

- complex scenarios sufficient to allow evidence to be gathered from a variety of sources and stakeholders on more than one occasion and over an extended period.

Method of assessment

In a public safety environment assessment is usually conducted via direct observation in a training environment or in the workplace via subject matter supervision and/or mentoring, which is typically recorded in a competency workbook.

Assessment is completed using appropriately qualified assessors who select the most appropriate method of assessment.

Assessment may occur in an operational environment or in an agency-approved simulated work environment. Forms of assessment that are typically used include:

- direct observation
- interviewing the candidate
- journals and workplace documentation
- third party reports from supervisors

- written or oral questions

Range Statement

The Range Statement relates to the Unit of Competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. ***Bold italicised*** wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

<i>Public safety risk prevention strategies</i> may include:	• all aspects of comprehensive emergency management evolved from considering prevention/mitigation • building codes • community restoration • critical incident stress management • emergency management planning • financial support • implementing plans • land use management • legislation and regulation • mobilising resources • mutual aid agreements • preparedness • prescribed burning • public education • response and recovery including safety standards • restoration and reconstruction • training and exercises • warning systems
<i>Assessment of public safety risk prevention strategies</i> may include:	• costs and benefits • deficiencies and limitations • determination of advantages • disadvantages
<i>Organisational criteria</i> may include:	• administrative efficiency • compatibility with other strategies • continuity of effects • effects on economy • effects on environment • effects on individual freedom • equity • jurisdictional authority • leverage for further vulnerability-reducing action, cost effectiveness • possibility of vulnerability creation • public and pressure group reaction • timing

	• vulnerability reduction potential
Local forums may include:	• community groups • local councils • local emergency management committees • schools
Organisational policy and procedures may include:	• legislation relevant to the organisation • legislation relevant to the public safety risk prevention strategies • operational, corporate and strategic plans • operational performance standards • organisational personnel practices and guidelines • organisational quality standards • standard operating procedures
Communication may include:	• electronic transmission of information • letters • meetings • small group or individual verbal communication
Relevant authorities and other responsible organisations may include:	• community service organisations • contractors • equipment suppliers • federal, state/territory and local government authorities • land management agencies • medical organisations • operative and support organisations • other emergency organisations • water, gas and power agencies • welfare and counselling organisations
Stakeholders may include:	• career and volunteer personnel • client groups • community groups • industry groups • members of parliament • members of the public • non-government organisations • public and private sector organisations • staff
Documentation may include:	• emergency procedures • evacuation procedures • organisational and workplace operating procedures and policies

	• relevant Australian or international disaster/emergency management documentation • risk and hazard analysis • standard operating procedures • work health and safety procedures
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Unit Sector(s)

Not applicable.