



Australian Government

SHBBINF001 Maintain infection control standards

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Modification History

Not applicable.

Application

This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to maintain infection control during skin penetration treatments and to review clinic compliance with the applicable state or territory and local council requirements.

It requires the ability to identify, manage and control infection risks to clients, self and work colleagues.

This unit applies to beauty therapists who work in beauty therapy salons, clinics or in cosmetic medical clinics. These therapists work autonomously and make independent treatment decisions.

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Competency Field

Infection Control

Unit Sector

Beauty

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

1. Comply with infection control regulations and guidelines and related legal obligations.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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

- 1.1 Identify federal, state or territory, and local standards, regulations and guidelines that apply to beauty treatments and skin penetration procedures.
- 1.2 Review organisational infection control policy and procedures for compliance.
- 1.3 Identify infection control risks for skin penetration treatments.

- 1.4 Monitor workplace for potential infection control risks.
2. Monitor hygiene of premises.
 - 2.1 Observe workplace to ensure surfaces and equipment are cleaned and disinfected.
 - 2.2 Clean and disinfect non-penetrating instruments and articles.
 - 2.3 Monitor removal and disposal of contaminated material.
 - 2.4 Monitor handling and disposal of sharps and the cleaning of blood or body fluid spills.
 - 2.5 Check dilution rates, use and storage of cleaning products.
 - 2.6 Monitor storage of cleaning and treatment equipment.
 - 2.7 Provide clean linen or single use, disposable coverings for each treatment.
 - 2.8 Place soiled linen and protective clothing in a suitable receptacle.
 - 2.9 Clean and disinfect work area after treatment.
3. Maintain infection control for skin penetration treatments.
 - 3.1 Maintain personal protection using standard and additional precautions for client contact as required.
 - 3.2 Provide single use, disposable and clean instruments where possible for each treatment.
 - 3.3 Ensure instruments, equipment or other items intended to penetrate the skin or be used on mucous membranes are sterile at time of use.
 - 3.4 Follow skin preparation procedures to minimise risk of transmission.
 - 3.5 Immediately dispose of single-use items and waste in appropriate containers.
 - 3.6 Separate, remove, clean and sterilise potentially contaminated items according to organisation infection control policy and procedure.
4. Sterilise equipment and maintain steriliser.
 - 4.1 Ensure work flows from dirty zone to clean zone.
 - 4.2 Clean and dry items to be sterilised.
 - 4.3 Load steriliser and set steriliser cycle according to manufacturer instructions and Australian standard.
 - 4.4 Unload packages, inspect for sterilising, validate and record details according to manufacturer instructions and Australian standards.
 - 4.5 Store sterile items correctly to prevent contamination.

- 4.6 Monitor the sterilising process.
- 4.7 Inspect and clean steriliser and steriliser trays according to manufacturer guidelines and Australian standard.
- 5. Maintain awareness of clinic design for control of infection risks.
 - 5.1 Identify aspects of the design of premises, surfaces, fixtures and fittings that minimise risk of transmission of infection.
 - 5.2 Arrange cleaning area to ensure the separation of dirty and clean items and work flow is from dirty to clean to sterile.
 - 5.3 Clean cleaning and sterilising area according to organisational policy and procedures.

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.

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| Reading skills to: | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• locate and interpret health standards, regulations and guidelines• interpret manufacturer instructions for cleaning product choice, dilution and storage. |
| Writing skills to: | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• document steriliser use. |
| Numeracy skills to: | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• calculate steriliser loads, timing and calibration• calculate concentrations of solutions. |
| Planning and organising skills to: | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• coordinate cleaning, disinfecting and sterilising tasks. |
| Teamwork skills to: | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• work collaboratively with colleagues to control infection risk. |

Unit Mapping Information

No equivalent unit.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=255d312b-db07-48f2-b6d6-1b0b06c42898>

Assessment Requirements for SHBBINF001 Maintain infection control standards

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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:

- integrate the maintenance of infection control with skin penetration technical skills that individually or in combination demonstrate:
 - identification of potential cross contamination risks, protecting self and client from infection risks
 - choosing and using appropriate cleaning, disinfection and sterilising procedures for instruments, equipment and equipment attachments and work surfacescorrect steriliser operation procedures:
 - packaging of items
 - loading
 - monitoring
 - validation
 - calibration
 - documentation requirements
 - disposing of waste and sharps
- provide a written review of workplace compliance with relevant state or territory and local council laws, regulations and requirements relating to beauty treatments and skin penetration.

Knowledge Evidence

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

- Australian standards AS/NZS4815 and 4187 relating to infection control in office based health care facilities
- relevant state or territory legislation and guidelines relating to infection control procedures for skin penetration treatments
- local council requirements for beauty salons offering skin penetration treatments
- organisational policy and procedures relating to infection control
- legal responsibilities in relation to infection control, sterilising, registration or business licensing, conduct of occupation, and maintenance of premises relevant to role
- standard and additional precautions as defined by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC)

- industry codes of practice
- aetiology of infection
- sources of infection and means of transmission
- risk management in relation to infection control
- procedures and practices that support infection control measures and prevent infection transmission
- cleaning, disinfection and sterilising procedures
- procedures for responding to spills
- needle stick or sharps injury procedures for notification and response
- impact of premises layout and workflow on infection control risks
- manufacturer instructions in relation to cleaning, disinfecting and sterilising equipment and products
- risk management process for identifying treatment infection control risks
- workplace infection control risks.

Assessment Conditions

Skills must be demonstrated in a beauty industry environment; this can be:

- a beauty industry workplace or
- a simulated beauty workplace set up for the purpose of skills assessment, that provides services to paying members of the public.

Assessment must ensure access to:

- antiseptic wipes and alcohol based preparations
- cleaning and disinfection products
- hand washing facilities:
 - basin
 - hot and cold running water
 - liquid soap
 - single use towels or hand dryer
- personal protective equipment:
 - gloves:
 - treatment
 - cleaning
 - protective clothing
 - eye protection
 - footwear
 - face masks
- workplace documentation:
 - Australian standards
 - equipment manufacturer instructions

- infection control regulations and guidelines
- organisation infection control policy and procedures
- safety data sheets for cleaning products
- sharps and sharps disposal unit
- single use, disposable equipment
- sterile storage area
- steriliser
- storage area for materials, equipment and attachments
- treatment area, cleaning area and clients
- waste receptacles that comply with Australian Standards.

Assessment activities that allow the individual to:

- demonstrate infection control during the provision of treatments that involve skin penetration
- provide pre and post treatment infection control activities for these treatments
- review a salon's infection control performance.

Assessors must satisfy the Standards for Registered Training Organisation's requirements for assessors and:

- hold a qualification as a beauty therapist
- have worked as a beauty therapist for at least three years where they have applied the skills and knowledge of this unit of competency.

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