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SHBBSKS006 Pierce ear lobes

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Modification History

Supersedes and is not equivalent to SHBBSKS001 Pierce ear lobes.

Application

This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to pierce ear lobes.

It requires the ability to consult with clients, select and use piercing tools and studs to pierce one or both ear lobes.

This unit applies to beauticians and retail beauty consultants who work in beauty salons and retail cosmetic outlets. In this environment they make routine service decisions within standard routines and procedures and are responsible for providing the service within skin penetration guidelines.

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

Skin Services

Unit Sector

Beauty

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. Establish client priorities.
 - 1.1. Access and review client treatment plan if available.
 - 1.2. Establish ear piercing requirements with client.
 - 1.3. Obtain proof of age, or informed and signed parent or guardian consent for minors as required.
 - 1.4. Identify and explain contraindications to ear piercing service, and refer client to appropriate professional as required.
 - 1.5. Explain treatment sequence and factors that may restrict treatment.
 - 1.6. Confirm revised treatment plan, record updates and obtain signed client consent.
2. Prepare for piercing.
 - 2.1. Prepare service area and client.
 - 2.2. Prepare and present self, according to organisational policy.
 - 2.3. Select ear piercing equipment and products.
 - 2.4. Comply with health, hygiene and skin penetration regulations and requirements.
 - 2.5. Use energy, water and other resources efficiently during preparation and subsequent treatment process.
3. Apply piercing.
 - 3.1. Apply infection control and skin penetration procedures throughout service.
 - 3.2. Cleanse and disinfect treatment site and mark ears for piercing.
 - 3.3. Confirm earring placement with client.
 - 3.4. Load stud gun and pierce ear lobes.
4. Review service and provide post service advice.
 - 4.1. Evaluate pierced ears service with client.
 - 4.2. Record outcomes of pierced ears service on client treatment plan.
 - 4.3. Provide aftercare advice and recommend products and future treatments.
5. Clean service area.
 - 5.1. Clean service area, equipment and work surfaces according to organisational policies and procedures and relevant skin penetration regulations.
 - 5.2. Restock equipment and products in preparation for next service.
 - 5.3. Dispose of general waste to minimise negative environmental impacts and according to organisational

policies 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.

SKILLS	DESCRIPTION
Reading skills to:	interpret, and follow manufacturer instructions and safety data sheets for safe use of cleaning and treatment products and equipment.
Numeracy skills to:	calculate treatment times, product quantities and price.
Technology skills to:	use client software to update client notes, record stock data and product purchases.

Unit Mapping Information

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Links

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Assessment Requirements for SHBBSKS006 Pierce ear lobes

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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:

- provide five safe and appropriate ear lobe piercing services for clients
- develop and update treatment plan and client records for each client specifying details of:
 - aftercare advice
 - adverse reactions
 - client name and address
 - contraindications
 - follow up advice
 - outcomes of treatment
 - procedure followed
 - studs used
 - type of ear piercing
- for each client provide ear lobe piercing services that demonstrate:
 - consultation with client to agree on selection and placement of earrings
 - compliance with infection control and skin penetration procedures
 - minimum discomfort for client
 - placement of studs according to client requirements
 - accurate advice on care of wound, studs and maintenance of earrings
 - cleaning of ear piercing equipment according to skin penetration guidelines.

Knowledge Evidence

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

- state or territory and local health and hygiene and skin penetration regulations and requirements relevant to piercing ear lobes
- legal responsibilities in relation to infection control, sterilising, registration or licensing of business and maintenance of premises
- infectious disease transmission routes and prevention of infection transmission as it relates to ear piercing services
- infection control procedures and application of standard precautions as they apply to the provision of ear piercing services
- organisational policies and procedures relevant to piercing ear lobes:

- client record management
- equipment use and maintenance
- incident reporting
- personal hygiene and presentation
- presentation of treatment area
- waste disposal
- work health and safety
- legal and insurance liabilities and responsibilities in regard to treatments
- scope of practice:
 - when to refer clients to other practitioners
 - importance of not stating a diagnosis of a contraindication
- cleaning and maintenance of piercing gun and equipment
- simplified cross section of the skin
- anatomy of the ear lobe
- workplace equipment and product range
- contraindications that prevent or restrict treatment or require referral to a medical professional and relationship to ear piercing services:
 - bacterial, fungal, parasitic and viral infections
 - clients under influence of alcohol or drugs
 - hypertrophic and keloid scarring tendency
 - non-normal skin
 - scar tissue and lesions
 - skin trauma
- adverse effects of ear piercing and required action:
- inflammation
- infection of the ear lobe
- care and maintenance procedures for recently pierced ears
- care and maintenance procedures for earrings
- process, forms and requirements for informed parental consent for minors
- sustainable operating procedures for the conservation of product, water and power
- aftercare advice and products to care for pierced ear lobes.

Assessment Conditions

Skills must be demonstrated in a beauty services 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:

- paying clients with ear lobe piercing requirements, who have the expectation that the services provided reflect those of a commercial business

- hand washing facilities:
 - basin
 - hot and cold running water
 - liquid soap
 - single use towels or hand dryer.

Assessment must ensure use of:

- adjustable client chair
- antiseptic and home-care products for care of wound
- cleaning and disinfection products and equipment
- ear piercing gun
- personal protective equipment:
 - disposable gloves
 - sterile, single use disinfecting skin swabs
 - studs
 - surgical marking pen.

Assessment activities that allow the individual to:

- provide ear piercing service within commercially realistic speed, timing and productivity
- demonstrate competency in an environment reflective of real work situations
- manage tasks and contingencies in the context of the job role.

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

- have worked for at least three years where they have applied the skills and knowledge of this unit of competency.

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