

CHC33015 Certificate III in Individual Support

Supersedes:

CHC30212 (Certificate III Aged Care),

CHC30408 (Certificate III Disability) and

CHC30312 (Certificate III Home & Community Care)

Course outline

This qualification prepares you for the role of a worker in the community and/or residential setting. You work in an aged care facility, home based community care service or disability facility or service. Care staff provides person-centred support to people needing support due to ageing, disability or some other reason.

Who should do this course?

Anyone wanting to work in the following;

- Residential Care facility such as a Nursing Home,
- Hostel
- Dementia Care Facility
- Rehabilitation Centre
- Retirement Village
- Community Health Centre and
- Community Services.

Graduates can apply for work in the following jobs

- Assistant in nursing
- Care assistant
- Care worker
- Disability service worker
- Community care worker
- Community house worker
- Community support worker
- Home care assistant
- In-home respite worker
- Personal care assistant
- Personal care worker

Entry requirements

There are no academic prerequisites for the CHC33015 Certificate III in Individual Support. If you have relevant life and work experience, you can do the course. You need reasonable English language, literacy and numeracy to successfully complete the course. You must be able to travel and complete your work placement. The Police Clearance Certificate is needed to do your work placement. You undertake a Federal Police Check (AFP) which must be less than 3 years old.



Work Placement

Students will be required to complete a minimum of 120 hours of work placement (1 specialisation) or 180 hours (2 specialisations). We help with the set-up of the work placement and support you on the sites. Work placements are sourced for all students in their local Aged Care facilities if possible. If

completing the Disability Specialisation or Home and Community Specialisation approximately 50% of work placement will occur in Aged Care and the remaining 50% with a Disability or Home and

Community service. If you are already working in a facility or service, talk to us about using that site for your work placement.

Work Placement for 15-16 days over a term or in a block of hours.

It should be a positive and rewarding experience that is preparing you for work. We expect you will do weekly self-paced study using your books to embed your learning. We offer tutorial support.

Interviews

We talk to you about the course by phone or through email. We make sure that you understand the timetable, what is involved in the course, the English language and numeracy levels in the course and any individual needs.

Course Delivery

Delivery is a combination of methods to cover the theory and practice requirements: 2 days a week in the classroom during term time for developing your knowledge and understanding medical terms plus practical skills training using real equipment in a simulated environment. You will train in the use of equipment. Such as:

- Lifting hoist,
- Electric bed
- Wheelchairs
- Blood sugar testing equipment etc.

Assessments

We use a range of assessment methods such as:

- Practical demonstrations where you will be observed by one of our assessors
- Quizzes and knowledge based tests which contain written short answer questions
- Small projects which contain written tasks for you to investigate and complete in your own time

Note: You must be deemed competent with each unit in order to receive your qualification.

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and Credit Transfer

You may have experience and skills in aged care, disability or home and community care through previous employment, life experience or formal studies. If this is the case then you should ask about recognition of prior learning. This may shorten your course. If you hold a current First Aid Certificate from a recognised RTO you will be given credit for the first aid unit. Talk to our staff about recognition or credit.



Our course has been designed to meet the requirements for the CHC33015 Certificate III in Individual Support. There are three specialisation streams. Choose one stream first. You can completed extra study and enrol in more than one specialisation. 1 specialisation stream contains 13 Units; 7 Core units and 6 Elective units:

CORE UNITS (7 units)

- CHCCCS015 Provide individualised support
- CHCCCS023 Support independence and well being
- CHCCOM005 Communicate and work in health or community services
- CHCDIV001 Work with diverse people
- CHCLEG001 Work legally and ethically
- HLTAAP001 Recognise healthy body systems
- HLTWHS002 Follow safe work practices for direct client care

WE RECOOMEND YOU DO THESE COMMON ELECTIVES (2 units) then the specialisation Group A, B or C. Or combinations.

- HLTAID003 Provide first aid
- HLTINF001 Comply with infection prevention and control policies and procedures

Group A electives AGEING specialisation (4 units)

- CHCAGE001 Facilitate the empowerment of older people
- CHCCCS011 Meet personal support needs
- CHCAGE005 Provide support to people living with dementia
- CHCPAL001 Deliver care services using a palliative approach

Group B electives DISABILITY specialisation (4 units)

- CHCDIS007 Facilitate the empowerment of people with disability
- CHCDIS002 Follow established person-centred behaviour supports
- CHCDIS003 Support community participation and social inclusion
- CHCDIS001 Contribute to ongoing skills development using a strengths-based approach

Group C electives HOME AND COMMUNITY specialisation (4 units)

- CHCAGE001 Facilitate the empowerment of older people
- CHCCCS011 Meet personal support needs
- CHCCCS025 Support relationships with carers and families
- CHCHCS001 Provide home and community support services