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CHCSET003 Work with forced migrants

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# Modification History

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| Release | Comments |
| Release 2 | Minor changes to application, performance criteria and knowledge evidence. |
| Release 1 | Not applicable. |

# Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to work with, and for, refugees within an ethical, social, political and economic context.

This unit applies to work within an agency, directly or indirectly, involved with the provision of services to forced migrants, people with refugee and special humanitarian visas, people granted refugee status in Australia, business and skilled migrants whose prime motivation for leaving their country was to escape violence or persecution, and the immediate family members of anyone from these groups.

Workers have limited responsibilities and work within established guidelines to develop, monitor and provide support and services in a range of areas, including but not limited to, settlement, accommodation, counselling, financial advice, family services, youth work, income support, education, health care and crisis intervention.

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

Settlement Support

# Unit Sector

Community Services

# Elements and Performance Criteria

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| ELEMENT | | PERFORMANCE CRITERIA |
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| Elements define the essential outcomes | | Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. |
| 1 Develop a professional rapport with people who are forced migrants  **DRAFT** | 1.1 Apply cultural sensitivity and adapt communication techniques, style and language to accommodate cultural values and practices  1.2 Identify how own diversity influences interpersonal interactions and modify approach to suit  1.3 Identify the needs of people who are newly arrived, traumatised and confused and modify approach to suit  1.4 Identify and access interpreter services as required | |
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| 2 Plan settlement services | 2.1 Identify current issues which may impact on own work and organisation relevant to the provision of settlement services  2.2 Collaborate with stakeholders and representatives from relevant target groups when determining service requirements  2.3 Develop and maintain links with workers in complementary roles in the provision of settlement services  2.4 Evaluate issues in relation to a person’s culture, family background and interest and modify settlement plan to suit  2.5 Identifying specific needs of individuals and determine learning program requirements  2.6 Document and agree on settlement plan with person and other relevant service providers and stakeholders | |
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| 3 Address issues associated with people who are forced migrants  **DRAFT** | 3.1 Provide support to people who are forced migrants using a collaborative approach  3.2 Discuss and provide information regarding services available in Australia and the importance of using these services  3.3 Consider the diversity characteristics and experiences of the person in all actions and decisions  3.4 Recognise signs of trauma, loss or grief and identify support requirements  3.6 Support person to deal with discrimination from the mainstream community and other ethnic groups  3.7 Support person to make links within their own community and the broader Australian community  3.8 Refer person to other service providers as required to meet their needs | |
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| 4 Monitor and review support | 4.1 Obtain ongoing feedback from people in relation to service and support  4.2 Evaluate progress in relation to settlement plan  4.3 Monitor stress and emotions of self and colleagues and implement strategies to maintain wellbeing  4.4 Identify opportunities for improved service provision and modify approach | |

# Foundation Skills

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| Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency. |

# Unit Mapping Information

Supersedes and is equivalent to CHCSET001 Work with forced migrants.

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Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

Assessment Requirements for CHCSET003 Work with forced migrants

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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:

* develop, deliver, monitor and review the delivery of a settlement plan for 3 groups of forced migrants.

# Knowledge Evidence

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

* national, State or Territory and local legal and ethical considerations relevant to settlement services and how these are applied in organisations and individual practice:
* privacy, confidentiality and disclosure
* mandatory reporting
* conflict of interest and maintaining professional boundaries
* discrimination
* access and equity
* drivers and issues associated with migration and forced migration:
* what migration is and what forms it takes
* causes and impacts of forced migration
* international protection regime
* Australia’s response to forced migration
* immigration processes, including how and why people select to come to Australia
* visa subclasses relevant to forced migrants
* profile of the current humanitarian program entrants, their experience and the impact of this on their settlement needs

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* settlement process, practices and policies in Australia:
* current and historical context of work in this sector
* social, political and economic context in which the sector operates
* what is settlement including current theories, phases and indicators
* practical and emotional settlement needs of new migrants
* services available to new migrants and how these services can be accessed
* settlement plans and how they are developed
* government service principles
* service delivery frameworks for forced migration
* refugee experience and how to recognise the effects of grief, loss, stress, torture and trauma
* signs and impacts of post-traumatic stress disorder
* impact of migration on the family and the impact of changed roles within the family
* importance of identity and the significance of giving people a chance to define themselves
* availability of resources and assistance within, and external to, the organisation, including referral networks and how to access their services
* features of services that deal with the impacts of trauma and processes for accessing:
* counselling
* health services
* legal services
* strategies for the worker to maintain their own wellbeing and to support the wellbeing of colleagues
* international and Australian perspectives on diversity, including:
* gender
* class
* culture
* religion.

# Assessment Conditions

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

Assessment must ensure:

* access to facilities, equipment and resources that reflect real working conditions and model industry operating conditions and contingencies
* access to organisational policies and procedures

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* opportunities for engagement with refugees and asylum seekers from a range of backgrounds.

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