

Course **OUTLINE**

This qualification focuses on the role of workers who provide self-directed recovery oriented support for people affected by mental illness and psychiatric disability. Work involves implementing community based programs and activities focusing on mental health, mental illness and psychiatric disability. Work is undertaken in a range of community contexts such as community based non-government organisations; home based outreach; centre-based programs; respite care; residential services, rehabilitation programs; clinical settings; or supporting people in employment. Work is carried out autonomously under the broad guidance of other practitioners and professionals.

To achieve this qualification, the student must have completed at least 80 hours of work as detailed in the Assessment Requirements of the units of competency.





CRICOS Course Code: 115045J CRICOS ID: 03575C

Who should do this COURSE?

People pursuing a career in a facility such as a respite care; residential services, rehabilitation programs; clinical settings; home based outreach; centre-based programs; or supporting people in employment.

Graduates may seek employment in the following jobs:

- Mental Health Support Worker
- Community Support Worker
- Mental Health Outreach Worker

Entry REQUIREMENTS

There are no formal entry requirements for this course; however, applicants should demonstrate ability to perform tasks as required by the industry.

- Applicants must be 18 years or above
- School education at least at Australian high school leaving level Year 12 (HSC in NSW); or other relevant qualification/s;
- Or experience in an aged care or nursing environment;
- Academic IELTS 5.5 overall, no less than 5.0 in each band, or upper intermediate, or EAP from approved ELICOS/ESL centre or
- Evidence of completing a VET course at Certificate IV or above level in Australia.

Course DURATION

This course is 52 weeks with 9 weeks study of each term for 4 Terms. The structure is based on 20 hours per week as follows:

- You attend College two days a week for classroom learning, practice and assessment (8 hours each)
- You also study a structured study program by unit in the online learning platform for 4 hours per week
- To get the most out of your course you need to do some self- study in your own time. When you are ready there is a work placement of 120 hours spread over 3-4 weeks in term 4.
- · Commencement dates are the start of every term.

See the website for our intake dates or ring the office for details.

Course DELIVERY

Delivery is a combination of methods to cover the theory and practice requirements:

- Workshops for developing your theory knowledge such as anatomy and medications and care plans
- Supplementary learning online for each unit in theory and skills and case studies
- Demonstrations then practice to give you that valuable practice time before you go to the work place
- Self-paced study and support to embed your learning and practical skills
- · Work placements to apply your skills.

You will be trained to use manual handling equipment and other equipment such as:

- · Lifting hoist, Stand up Lifter, Pelican Belt, Slide Sheet, Electric bed, & Wheelchair.
- · Glucometer, Blood Pressure, Pulse Oximeter etc.
- Medication Trolley, Medications (Dummy), & Dressing Trolley.

Work Placement at a Mental Health Hospital, Community Service facility is arranged with you and you will receive the support of one of our mentors to ensure this opportunity is a rewarding experience. For work placement, students have to wear your own black trousers and black closed shoes, we will provide you with NTA logo Polo T-shirt.

Course TOPICS

Study 15 units to gain your qualification 11 Core units and 4 Elective units.

Our course has been designed to meet the requirements for the CHC43315 Certificate IV in Mental Health. Support.

Core UNITS

| UNIT CODE | UNIT NAME STATUS | |
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| CHCDIV001 | Work with diverse people * | Core |
| CHCDIV002 | Promote Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety | Core |
| CHCLEG001 | Work legally and ethically* | Core |
| CHCMHS002 | Establish self-directed recovery relationships | Core |
| CHCMHS003 | Provide recovery oriented mental health services | Core |
| CHCMHS004 | Work collaboratively with the care network and other services | Core |
| CHCMHS005 | Provide services to people with co-existing mental health and alcoholand other drugs issues | Core |
| CHCMHS007 | Work effectively in trauma informed care | Core |
| CHCMHS008 | Promote and facilitate self-advocacy | Core |
| CHCMHS011 | Assess and promote social, emotional and physical wellbeing | Core |
| HLTWHS001 | Participate in work health and safety | Core |

Electives UNITS

| UNIT CODE | UNIT NAME | STATUS |
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| CHCCCS019 | Recognise and respond to crisis situations | Elective |
| HLTHPS006 | Assist clients with medication | Elective |
| HLTAAP001 | Recognise healthy body systems* | Elective |
| HLTAID011 | Provide first aid* | Elective |

For more details/information, ask for an Information Pack.

Course ASSESSMENTS

As this is a nationally recognised qualification, you will be required to successfully complete all units to a stan- dard so that you are job ready. Each unit contains assessments which include:

- Knowledge based tests which contain written short answer questions, case studies and project works
- Practical demonstrations where you will be observed by one of our assessors in a simulated environment.
- Demonstration of clinical skills in Work place environment, assessed by our facilitator

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

Requirements for the WORK PLACEMENT

• A Police Clearance Certificate is mandatory prior to your work placement; you must under take a Federal Police Check (AFP) or NSW Police check (it must be no less than 12 months old).

This can be done through a website.

- Working with Children check
- Valid NDIS Worker Screening Check
- Relevant immunization check (as per NSW health guide lines)

These checks must be completed at the start of the course and prior to industry work placement. The students must be physically be able to do moderate amount of lifting using the appropriate equipment. The students should not have any mobility, hearing, and vision problems to carry out duties efficiently in the hospi- tal or community care settings whilst at placement.

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and CREDIT TRANSFER

You may have developed a number of skills in community service or disability care, through previous employ- ment opportunities, 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.

Course PATHWAYS This is only the start of your academic journey

After achieving the Certificate IV in Disability Support you have a number of pathway options. You can complete further study and gain the Certificate IV in Ageing or go on to the Diploma Community Services with NTA or apply for Bachelor of Nursing.

Course fee Aus \$ 9,900 + 500 Materials + \$250 Enrolment fee

Fees are payable by Cheque, Money order, Cash, Internet or Bank Deposit (See Enrolment Form for details). Other arrangements may be made based on individual needs.





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