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Health Industry Training

Course Outline

HLT37215

Certificate III in Pathology Collection



Why Choose Health Industry Training

Health Industry Training is passionate and committed to inspiring students to achieve their career goals and aspirations. If you want to be part of an exciting, fast growing industry, the health and community services sector and Health Industry Training can fulfil that goal.

The health sector is currently the largest employment and fastest growing sector in Australia. The opportunities for Australians are exciting and rewarding. To be part of this industry it is important you select the most appropriate training organisation to ensure you receive the necessary knowledge, skills and practical experience needed to secure a place.

Health Industry Training has many years' experience in the health sector. We specialise in health and community services and keep well informed of the current and future trends occurring in the health and community services sector.

Health Industry Training will help you successfully complete your qualification using an individual, supportive approach by providing you with a training plan individualised to suit your needs and lifestyle. Study your way, place and pace with the support of a personal trainer.

It is recommended that you read this course outline in conjunction with the student handbook that is available on the Health Industry Training website.

Inspiring students to achieve!

RTO National Provider # 32145



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Course Details

Duration Maximum 18 months

Delivery Method Flexible
Individual needs approach to learning
Mandatory Block Training
Practical Placement

Enrolment Method Open enrolment

Prospect Career Roles Specimen collection officer
Laboratory aide
Pathology collector
Pathology assistant
Specimen reception assistant
Operation officer

Assessment Methods Short answer questions
Projects
Case studies
Workplace portfolio
Research reports
Practical placement
Practical logbook

Industry trend

Pathology is the collection of blood and other specimen for analysis. In today’s society where we need to undergo tests to determine our health and wellbeing, there is an increased demand for pathology services, which in turn improves service delivery to clients.

The Certificate III qualification allows the worker to perform routine extractions of blood and other pathology specimens. They may also prepare and process pathology samples for testing in a laboratory.

According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics “Almost half of persons aged 15 years and over in Australia (48%) had a pathology test in the previous 12 months. Women were more likely to have had pathology tests (55% compared with 42% of men).”

Working in this industry requires workers to undertake roles that include the collection of blood and other pathology specimens under supervision. It should be noted that this qualification does not cover collection of a range of specimens for specialised testing, collection of arterial blood gases or team leadership and training.

Course Information

Delivery Method

The Certificate III in Pathology Collection is delivered through a blended delivery method.

Students are provided with learner resources and assessment handbooks for each unit of competency. The assessment handbooks provide students with instructions on submitting assessments. **Please note:** all students are required to attend 1 week of **mandatory block training** held in Brisbane.

Clinical Placement

Clinical work placement is compulsory for the Certificate III in Pathology Collection qualification.

Clinical work placement provides an important opportunity for Certificate III in Pathology Collection students to apply skills and theory in 'real-life' situations, in a variety of clinical settings. Experiencing 'real-life' situations enables students to apply and gain competence in the many different skills required across various health care settings.

Duration: Minimum of 35 hours.

Clinical placement can be completed with Sullivan Nicolaides or QML Pathology in your area or as close as possible to where you live. A placement fee is required to be paid as a separate cost to your training. This is to be paid to Health Industry Training prior to your placement being arranged.

Insurance

Health Industry Training provides insurance to all students undertaking work placement as part of their qualification.

Pre-requirements

As a student you must ensure you have completed the necessary 'Prior to practical work placement' activities listed below before practical work placement can commence.

- National Criminal History Clearance
- Immunisations and screening

Assessment Methods

Health Industry Training uses a range of assessment methods to ensure sufficient evidence can be gathered to demonstrate you can perform the tasks against the specified criteria. Assessment methods can include:

- Short answer questions
- Projects / Reports
- Case studies
- Scenarios
- Workplace portfolios
- Work placement logbook

Recognition of Prior Learning

RPL considers previous formal study and work experience and then assesses this against the elements of competency to determine competency. Students seeking recognition can apply for RPL on enrolment or throughout the duration of their study.

Credit Transfer

If you have completed a unit of competency within your intended qualification with another Registered Training Organisation (RTO) you may be able to apply for a credit transfer or exemption. A copy of the original transcript must be provided when applying for credit transfer.

Admission Requirements

Entry Requirements

To enrol in the Certificate III in Pathology Collection it is anticipated that you will have completed year 10 or equivalent.

In addition, students are required to provide Health Industry Training with their Unique Student Identifier number.

Minimum Age Requirements

The minimum age for this course is 16 years old. If you are under 18 years of age your enrolment form must be signed by a parent or guardian.

Literacy, Language, Numeracy (LLN) Requirements

Students must have an adequate level of Language, Literacy and Numeracy skills (LLN). Entry into the course requires English proficiency to Year 10 level or equivalent. Students are able to test their LLN skills by completing an LLN test by emailing info@healthindustrytraining.org.

Student Support

Throughout your course with Health Industry Training, you will be provided with a range of support services depending on your individual needs.

One-on-one trainer support: You will be provided with a trainer that has extensive experience and expertise in the course content and the industry sector. Our professional trainers are there to ensure you have a successful learning journey where you can contact them via phone or email.

In addition to your trainer, the administration team can provide you with support including your enrolment, changes to contact details or study plan, progress report and any issues you may encounter throughout your course.

Peer support

Health Industry Training appreciates that distance/online learning can be an isolated experience for some students. To assist with isolation all students have the option to be part of a Facebook peer support group. Peer support groups can be a positive experience where you can study with like-minded people, ask questions relating to your course and build friendships.

Course fees and Financial Support

Funding for Queensland residents

Health Industry Training is proud to be a pre-qualified supplier for the Queensland Government, under the Certificate 3 Guarantee program. To be eligible for the Certificate 3 Guarantee funding, participants must not hold or be undertaking a Certificate III or higher qualification. Qualifications undertaken at school do not affect eligibility.

It is a requirement under the Queensland Government funding that all students contribute to the cost of training and assessment services. The fee may be paid on behalf of the student by a third party including an employer but cannot be paid or waived by Health Industry Training.

The contribution fee is different for students classed as concession and students classed as non-concession.

Concessional student status applies when:

the student holds a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card issued under Commonwealth law, or is the partner or a dependant of a person who holds a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card and is named on the card;

- (a) the student provides Health Industry Training with an official form under Commonwealth law confirming that the student, their partner or the person of whom the student is a dependant is entitled to concessions under a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card;
- (b) the student is an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander;
- (c) the student is a school student and is enrolled in a VETiS program (may include young people in detention);
- (d) the student has a disability; or
- (e) the student is an adult prisoner.

Non-concessional student status applies if:

- (a) none of the above relates to the student status at the time of enrolment; or
- (b) the contribution fees are paid by a third-party including employer, or job network provider.

The contribution fee for concessional students is **\$280.00** per qualification.

For non-concession students or payments made by a third party, the cost is **\$840.00** per qualification.

Fee-paying

To assist students who are not eligible for funding, Health Industry Training offers financial assistance by allowing students to either:

- pay the cost of the course in full and receive a 10% discount on the full cost of the course; or
- take advantage of our affordable payment plan options (weekly, fortnightly or monthly instalments) (see enrolment form for additional information)

User Choice (Traineeship)

Queensland residents ONLY – The Certificate III in Pathology Collection is available through the Queensland User Choice program which funds Health Industry Training for the provision of services to eligible trainees. Training under the User Choice program has a gap fee of \$560.

Apprenticeships and traineeships combine training with working in a real job. Apprentices and trainees work towards the completion of a nationally recognised qualification while learning valuable skills at work and under the guidance of a training organisation.

Other States - This course is also available to be delivered as a traineeship in other states. Training is available for new and existing employees. Please contact your preferred apprenticeship centre to arrange sign up of your Traineeship.

Course Structure

The Certificate III in Pathology Collection has been packaged to include:

14 units are required to be awarded the qualification including:

- 9 core units
- 5 elective units

The course combines theoretical and practical work placement experience. The theoretical component of the course provides the student with the relevant knowledge required to work in the primary health care sector.

The practical placement experience provides students with the practical knowledge and skills for students to work in a practical setting on completion of the qualification.

The table below provides a list of the units of competencies offered by Health Industry Training

Unit Code	Unit Title	(Core/Elective)
CHCCOM005	Communicate and work in health or community services*	Core
CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people	Core
BSBCUS201	Deliver a service to customers	Core
BSBMED301	Interpret and apply medical terminology appropriately	Core
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety	Core
HLTINF001	Comply with infection prevention and control policies and procedures*	Core
HLTPAT001	Identify and respond to clinical risks in pathology collection*	Core
HLTPAT002	Perform venous blood collections (Mandatory Block training)*	Core
HLTPAT004	Collect pathology specimens other than blood *	Core
All Five (5) elective units are to be selected.		
HLTAAP001	Recognise healthy body systems*	Elective
HLTAID003	Provide first aid (Mandatory Block training)	Elective
HLTHPS001	Take clinical measurements (Mandatory Block training)	Elective
HLTCAR001	Perform electrocardiography (ECG) (Mandatory Block training)	Elective
HLTPAT006	Receive, prepare and dispatch pathology specimens*	Elective

*Mandatory practical placement required

How to Enrol

Need More Information?

Health Industry Training is dedicated to ensuring all students are enrolled in the course that will achieve their career aspirations. If you need help with choosing the right course for you please contact the administration team on 07 3082 3960.

Ready to Enrol?

Place an enquiry through our website:

www.healthindustrytraining.org

OR

Email info@healthindustrytraining.org and request an enrolment pack

OR

Enrol by phone. Contact one of our friendly enrolment officers on **07 3082 3960**