



Unit Title: Understanding and Applying
Phlebotomy Skills and Techniques
Unit Level: Three
Unit Credit Value: 3
GLH: 21
Unit Code: PD2/3/NE/010
Unit Review Date: 31/12/2022
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Entry Requirements (ie pre-requisites)	<p>This unit is aimed at learners who may be practising clinicians working in a clinical phlebotomy setting, support staff within a clinical phlebotomy or healthcare setting or learners new to phlebotomy. The unit may support learners extending their range of work skills or those seeking to develop new skills.</p> <p>Learners working towards this unit specification would be expected to have a good level of communication and underpinning this, a basic standard in English, both written and language skills.</p>
Additional assessment information	<p>Demonstrations of the procedures for obtaining blood are to be undertaken using a dummy arm.</p>
Additional information	<p>Centres must undertake an additional approval process to be able to deliver this unit. This process will ensure that any specific requirements for the units are met and that assessors and Internal Quality Assurers have the appropriate knowledge, experience and qualifications (where necessary). For further details please contact One Awards office.</p> <p>Learners may retake this unit on up to five occasions. Re-certification provides evidence that an individual's phlebotomy skills are current.</p>

Purpose and Aim of the Unit:	<p>The purpose of this unit is to introduce learners to the key principles of phlebotomy. It will provide the learners with the underpinning knowledge and skills relevant to working as a clinical phlebotomist in any setting. The unit allows learners the chance to develop their clinical skills in a safe, structured environment.</p>
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This unit has 6 learning outcomes.

Learning Outcomes	Assessment Criteria
The learner will:	The learner can:
1. Understand the terminology associated with phlebotomy.	1.1. Explain the key terminology associated with phlebotomy.



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2. Understand the principles of informed patient consent.	2.1. Explain the principles of informed patient consent. 2.2. Explain the importance of gaining patient consent.
3. Understand the principles of infection control during venepuncture.	3.1. Explain three ways in which infection may be spread. 3.2. Explain the importance of hand washing. 3.3. Demonstrate effective hand washing. 3.4. Explain two additional methods of infection control.
4. Know how to recognise and respond to complications which can occur during venepuncture.	4.1. Explain three complications which can potentially occur during venepuncture. 4.2. Explain how to respond to each complication identified in 4.1.
5. Be able to apply tourniquets.	5.1. Identify two different types of tourniquet. 5.2. For each tourniquet type identified in 5.1, demonstrate: (a) its uses; (b) how to apply it correctly; (c) how to release it correctly.
6. Be able to obtain blood.	6.1. Explain the two methods for obtaining blood. 6.2. Demonstrate the procedures for obtaining blood using a dummy limb. 6.3. Demonstrate the correct use of equipment. 6.4. Demonstrate the application of health and safety precautions.



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ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

One Awards promotes the use of a range of methods to assess the skills and knowledge of learners. Please refer to the Assessment Definitions document (available on the One Awards website) which provides guidance on the use of assessment activities at different levels, the evidence which could be generated from these activities and ways in which the assessment activities could be managed.

When planning assessment tasks for this unit, Centres should ensure that the selected assessment methods are relevant to the subject, the assessment criteria and the needs of learners.

All assessment practice for this unit should take an active account of equality and diversity issues. Centres should refer to the guidance in the One Awards Access to Fair Assessment Policy (available on the One Awards website).

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