

Title	Develop, implement, evaluate, and adapt diversional and recreational therapy group care plans		
Level	4	Credits	8

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: assess the diversional and recreational therapy needs of a group; develop a diversional and recreational therapy group care plan; implement a diversional and recreational therapy group care plan; and evaluate and adapt a diversional and recreational therapy group care plan.
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Classification	Community Support > Diversional Therapy
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Available grade	Achieved
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Entry information	
Critical health and safety prerequisites	Prerequisite: Unit 23918, <i>Describe the philosophy, purpose, and benefits of diversional therapy, and the role and skills of diversional therapists</i> , or demonstrate equivalent skills and knowledge.

Guidance Information

- 1 In this sector, support given to a person should be provided in a manner that maximises the independence of that person. Support must be appropriate to the needs of the person and utilise existing strengths and, wherever possible, optimise the use of the local community. Performance of the elements of this unit standard must fit within these broad parameters.
- 2 This unit standard cannot be assessed against in a simulated environment. It is required that people seeking credit for this unit standard demonstrate competence and be assessed in the workplace: through paid or unpaid employment, or in placements in a service provider workplace negotiated by an education provider.
- 3 Assessment must be within the boundaries of the diversional and recreational therapist's role.
- 4 An ability to integrate theory with practice in the workplace must be demonstrated.
- 5 Evidence is required for two diversional and recreational therapy group care plans used for a special occasion or an everyday activity. The two diversional and

recreational therapy group care plans may be developed for two different groups, or for the same group.

6 Definitions:

Diversional and recreational therapy group care plan includes the principles and purpose of group work, and entails managing a group of people who come together to participate in a joint activity.

Organisation's policies and procedures are the policies and procedures of the employing organisation of the employee and include ethical codes, standards, and requirements of this organisation and any other organisation(s) involved.

Person/consumer in the context of this unit standard means someone accessing health care services in different type of settings such as but not limited to: disability, mental health, DHB, aged care facility or in a private home – their own or belonging to a friend, group, or family member.

Special occasion refers to a celebration of a special event.

7 The current version of the following legislation, codes and documents must be complied with, including - but not limited to -

- Treaty of Waitangi;
- *New Zealand Society of Diversional and Recreational Therapists' Standards of Practice and Code of Ethics*. Available from <https://diversionaltherapy.net.nz/>;
- Mental Health (Compulsory Assessment and Treatment) Act 1992;
- New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000;
- New Zealand Health Strategy 2016;
- New Zealand Disability Strategy 2001;
- Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
- Privacy Act 1993;
- Accident Compensation Act 2001;
- Universal Declaration of Human Rights (Art. 24), based on the declaration proclaimed by the United national General Assembly in Paris on 10 December 1948;
- United Nations Principles for Older Persons 1991, based on declaration of rights by the International Federation on Ageing (IFA);
- Health and Disability Commissioner (The Code of Health and Disability Services Consumers' Rights) Regulation 1996;
- New Zealand Positive Ageing Strategy 2001;
- He Korowai Oranga: Māori Health Strategy 2013/14;
- Palliative Care Strategy 2001;
- Crimes Act 1961, ss 2, 150A, 151, 195, 195A (changes to the Crimes Act introduced in 2012 mean that certain people are legally responsible for protecting a vulnerable adult from injury);
- Age Concern New Zealand Annual Report 2016-17;
- Dementia Declaration 2019.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Assess the diversional and recreational therapy needs of a group and develop a group care plan in accordance with organisational policies and procedures.

Performance criteria

Range aspects of the care plan may include - but are not limited to – group size, resources, contingencies, purpose, safety, accessibility, facilities, staffing, costings, appeal and/or attraction, benefits, capacity, risk management plan, environment.

- 1.1 Assessment of the diversional and recreational therapy needs of the group is carried out in consultation with the group and in accordance with group members' preferences, strengths and abilities.
- 1.2 Goals are identified and documented in the diversional and recreational therapy group care plan in accordance with group members' preferences, strengths and abilities.
- 1.3 Diversional and recreational therapy group care plan includes a risk management plan that identifies health and safety issues relative to group members and others involved in the activity.

Outcome 2

Implement a diversional and recreational therapy group care plan.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Diversional and recreational therapy activities are implemented in accordance with group members' preferences, strengths and abilities, the group diversional therapy care plan, and the organisation's policies and procedures.

Outcome 3

Evaluate and adapt, as required, a diversional and recreational therapy group care plan.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Diversional and recreational therapy group care plan is evaluated in terms of its fitness for purpose and applicability to the activities undertaken.

Range aspects of the care plan may include but are not limited to – group size, resources, contingencies, purpose, safety, accessibility, facilities, staffing, costings, appeal and/or attraction, benefits, capacity, risk management plan, environment.

- 3.2 Diversional and recreational therapy group care plan is adapted, where required, in terms of the results of the evaluation.

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Comments on this unit standard

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