

Title	Demonstrate knowledge of support needs of a person with a brain injury in an aged care, health, or disability setting		
Level	3	Credits	6

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: define brain injury; describe the neuropathology of brain injury and possible sequelae; and describe support needs required for a person with a brain injury in a health, disability or aged care setting.
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Classification	Health, Disability, and Aged Support > Community Support Services
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

1 References:

- Accident Compensation Corporation. (2006). *Traumatic brain injury: Diagnosis, acute management and rehabilitation*. Wellington: New Zealand Guidelines Group for ACC. Available at: [https://www.moh.govt.nz/NoteBook/nbbooks.nsf/0/B8738C3605889A6ACC257A6D00809243/\\$file/traumatic-brain-injury-acc.pdf](https://www.moh.govt.nz/NoteBook/nbbooks.nsf/0/B8738C3605889A6ACC257A6D00809243/$file/traumatic-brain-injury-acc.pdf)
- World Health Organization (WHO). (2001). *International classification of functioning, disability and health: ICF*. Geneva: WHO. Available at: <https://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en/>
- Centre for Neuro Skills. (2019). Glasgow Coma Scale (GCS). Available at <https://www.neuroskills.com/education-and-resources/glasgow-coma-scale/>
- The Sydney Children's Hospitals Network, Australia, has a range of information sheets and resources on brain injury. Available at: <https://www.schn.health.nsw.gov.au/fact-sheets>

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Define brain injury.

Performance criteria

1.1 Brain injury is defined in accordance with the primary references.

Range congenital, acquired, traumatic, non-traumatic.

- 1.2 Acquired brain injury (traumatic and non-traumatic) is defined in accordance with three major classifications.

Range mild, moderate, severe.

Outcome 2

Describe the causes of brain injury and possible impacts to a person.

Range three behaviours, three possible effects.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Brain injury is described in terms of the associated behaviours and their effects and in accordance with the primary references.

Outcome 3

Describe support needs of a person with a brain injury.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Support needs of a person with a brain injury are described in accordance with the primary references.

- 3.2 Support needs of a person with a brain injury are described in terms of their condition, requirements, and the resources available in the community.

Range physical, social.

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Revision	3	18 October 2012	31 December 2021
Review	4	MM 2020	N/A

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0024
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Comments on this unit standard

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