



# CHC33015 Certificate III in Individual Support

## Course Information

This course is a nationally recognised accredited course from the CHC Community Services Training Package. This qualification reflects the role of workers in the community and/or a residential setting who follow an individualised plan to provide person-centred support to people who require support due to ageing, disability or some other reason. Work involves using discretion and judgement in relation to individual support. Workers will develop a range of factual, technical and procedural knowledge, as well as some knowledge about the concepts and practices required to provide person-centred support. To achieve this qualification, the candidate must have completed 120 hours of work as detailed in the Assessment Requirements of the units of competency.

### Occupational titles may include

- Accommodation support worker
- Assistant in nursing
- Care assistant
- Care service employees
- Care worker
- In home respite worker
- Community support worker
- Community care worker
- Disability service officer
- Disability support worker
- Field officer
- Home care assistant
- Nursing assistant
- Personal care assistant
- Personal care giver
- Personal care worker
- Residential care worker

### Prerequisites

- There are no qualification prerequisites to undertake this course.
- The delivery method for this course requires a lot of reading and writing and students need sound literacy skills. The College can assist students with improving their literacy and numeracy, however, a basic level must be present prior to commencing the course.
- Police Check – This is a requirement for work placement and employment. You can apply online for a Police Check by visiting [www.nationalcrimecheck.com.au](http://www.nationalcrimecheck.com.au).
- Employers will require workers to be at least 18 years of age.



## Paying for the course

The College can offer Smart and Skilled funding for this qualification for eligible learners. Student fees under this program range from \$0 to \$240 if unemployed. There is no cost if the student is indigenous or has a disability whether employed or unemployed. Subsidies also apply to students who are currently working however the student fee component is higher. Please check the student fee with the College.

- For those students who are not eligible for a Smart and Skilled subsidy the course is priced at \$2,250 for two streams and \$250 for each additional stream. Fees can be paid for in monthly installments after payment of an initial deposit. A payment plan can be organised with College staff.
- This course is approved by Centrelink as a full time course and various other supplementary assistance may be available in accordance with your individual circumstances. Please enquire further with Centrelink.

## Course delivery

This course (Aging and Disability Specialisations) is offered over one year comprising:

- 30 weeks of two days (6 hours per day) classroom study at the College in Murwillumbah.
- You will be required to complete home study of about 15 hours per week; this will include completing some assessment tasks and you should expect to continue this study during term breaks.
- You will be required to undertake 120 hours of work placement, during which you will be assessed. You have 10 weeks to complete this after you have finished your classroom based learning and assessment. The College will help you to arrange these placements. You will be provided with support during work placement in the form of three scheduled workshops at the College and you will also be visited in the workplace by your trainer.
- You will be provided with detailed learning and assessment materials for each unit.

## Course options

- You may choose to only complete one of three specialisations from the Certificate III in Individual Support - Ageing, Disability or Home and Community care. Please contact the office if this is your preference
- You also have the option of completing all three specialisations, if you wish to complete Home and Community Care after the Ageing and Disability sections of the course, please contact the office or speak to your trainer. Completing Home and Community Care adds an extra 6 weeks of two days per week classroom attendance with approximately 15 hours per week extra home study. It will also require you to attend a further one or two day work placement to enable us to assess you in the workplace.

## Course packaging rules

Students are required to complete 13 units, 7 of which are compulsory core units and 6 which are elective depending on which specialisation is available. We encourage everyone to complete the Aging Specialisation and to speak to the office staff and/or your trainer to decide if you wish to undertake another specialisation.

Code	Title	Core
CHCCCS015	Provide individualised support	C
CHCCCS023	Support independence and wellbeing	C
CHCCOM005	Communicate and work in health or community services	C
CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people	C
CHCLEG001	Work legally and ethically	C
HLTAAP001	Recognise healthy body systems	C
HLTWHS002	Follow safe work practices for direct client care	C
	<b>Group A electives – AGEING specialisation (6 units)</b>	<b>Elective</b>
*CHCAGE001	Facilitate the empowerment of older people	E
CHCAGE005	Provide support to people living with dementia	E
*CHCCCS011	Meet personal support needs	E
*CHCPAL001	Deliver care services using a palliative approach	E
HLTINF001	Comply with infection prevention and control policies and procedures	E
*HLTAID003	Provide first aid	E
	<b>Group B electives – DISABILITY specialisation (All ageing units plus 4 more Disability specialisation units)</b>	<b>Elective</b>
*CHCDIS001	Contribute to ongoing skills development using a strengths-based approach	E
*CHCDIS002	Follow established person-centred behaviour supports	E
*CHCDIS003	Support community participation and social inclusion	E
*CHCDIS007	Facilitate the empowerment of people with disability	E

## Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

Students who have workplace experience in this industry may be able to have those skills recognised by RPL for all or part of the qualification. You will need to discuss your request for RPL with the tutor.

If you wish to claim Recognition of Prior Learning or Credit Transfer you may complete the course in a shorter timeframe.

## Assessment

- There are no exams.
- Your competency ( knowledge and skills) is assessed through
  - Completion of set assignments
  - Practical demonstration of skills. These will take place in the workplace and at the college through the use of simulated workplace scenarios.
- You are required to attend at least 80% of classes to be considered for assessment. (please refer to your MCC student handbook) Circumstances which arise to prevent

80% attendance can be discussed with the Manager and your trainer.

- You are required to submit assessment tasks on time as instructed by the tutor.
- You are also required to be on time to class and be prepared for the units being discussed.

### Foundation Skills

Foundation Skills describe language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are you are required to have to successfully complete the qualification. These skills are included in the training and assessment for each unit.

### Student Support

Under Student Support provisions you may approach the trainer at any time for additional support or discussion, and programmed support may be offered in groups or individually. We also offer a variety of support for people with specialised learning needs. Please let us know if you have any Language Literacy and Numeracy or other needs and we can discuss arrangements to provide you with support in your studies.

### Course Information Session

A course Information session will be held so that students can meet the tutor and find out more about the course. Should you decide to proceed the course will then start later that day.

<b>Tutors</b>	<b>Megan Buckley Wendy Gilbert</b>	<b>Course Co-ordinator</b>	<b>Josh Livermorexxx</b>
<b>Course start date</b>	<b>Refer to Brochure</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>One year</b>

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the College in (02) 6672 6005  
or [reception.mcc@bigpond.com](mailto:reception.mcc@bigpond.com)

For more information go to [Student Information on our website](#)

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