Modification history

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 4.0.

ACMNEW4X3	Plan and monitor remote community animal management activities
Application	This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to oversee and organise animal health services provided in remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (herein referred to as Indigenous) communities.
	This unit applies to individuals who have responsibilities for planning, implementing and monitoring animal health services in remote Indigenous communities. They analyse information and exercise judgement to complete a range of skilled activities; demonstrate in depth knowledge in a specific technical area; and develop and communicate solutions for a range of commonly encountered problems.
	All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures according to state/territory health and safety and animal welfare regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace.
	No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.
Prerequisite Unit	Nil
Unit Sector	Animal Control and Regulation (ACR)

Elements	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	*Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.*
1. Plan animal health services for remote communities	1.1 Identify key animal health personnel within the community and contact arrangements 1.2 Identify need for initial and/or refresher training for relevant personnel located in community 1.3 Review available information for community including animal census data 1.4 Identify the range of animal services required in the community in consultation with veterinary service provider, including de-sexing, chemical contraception, parasite control, injury/disease management and euthanasia. 1.5 Devise a work plan with animal health worker in community including liaison to plan the schedule for veterinary or other support visits 1.6 Establish contracts and arrangements for services required in remote communities according to workplace procurement procedures
2. Implement animal health activities in remote communities	2.1 Liaise with and assist veterinary and animal health workers with access to appropriate facilities to perform animal treatments 2.2 Provide record keeping information or documentation for animal health workers to complete 2.3 Procure or ensure availability and accessibility of over the counter animal treatment and/or preventative care products for use by animal health worker 2.4 Provide support for animal health worker and/or veterinarians via appropriate and available communication channels

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Elements describe the essential outcomes.	*Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.*
3. Monitor animal health activities in remote communities	3.1 Review data and documented information provided by animal health worker and veterinary services post scheduled visit 3.2 Discuss implementation of activities with animal health worker and veterinary personnel to gain information to improve practices in future 3.3 Document recommendations for improvements to services and present to workplace personnel

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.

Skill	Description
Reading	• Review reports and documentation to determine community animal management requirements • Interpret medical/veterinary terminology relevant to animal management in remote communities
Numeracy	• Interpret trends in statistical data related to remote community animal management • Calculate costs of remote community animal management activities

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
ACMNEW4X3 Plan and monitor community animal management activities	Not applicable	New unit	No equivalent unit

Links	Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=b75f4b23-54c9-4cc9-a5db-d3502d154103

TITLE	Assessment requirements for ACMNEW4X3 Plan and monitor community animal management activities

Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.

There must be evidence that the individual has:

- organised animal health related services to one remote indigenous community
- discussed the implementation and outcomes of the animal health plan with at least two animal health workers or veterinary personnel
- monitored and reviewed the services provided and recommended at least two activities to improve future services.

Knowledge Evidence

An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- concept of 'one health' to improve health within remote communities
  - collaborative, multisectoral, and transdisciplinary approach
  - interconnection between people, animals, plants, and their shared environment
  - medical/veterinary terminology and literacy relevant to animal management and population and environmental health
- range of veterinary treatments to be provided in remote communities depending on need, including:
  - de-sexing and/or chemical contraception
  - parasite control (internal and external)
  - injury/disease management
  - euthanasia of abandoned, sick or injured animals.
- equipment and supplies needed to implement animal health care programs in remote communities
- basic workplace contract and procurement management procedures
- use of statistics and data in measuring and evaluating animal health program outcomes
- use of anecdotal information in evaluating animal health program outcomes
- ways to communicate information in remote communities, including:
  - using culturally appropriate language and communication methods
  - inclusive activities and role of elders
- cultural significance and attitude to companion animals (particularly dogs), in Indigenous communities
- relevant domestic animal regulations and associated legislation.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
  - skills must be demonstrated in a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
  - access to a remote indigenous community
  - access to existing domestic animal management plan/s
  - format/template for documenting an action plan for a compliance campaign
- relationships:
  - animal health workers and veterinary personnel specified in the performance evidence .

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

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