

## National Diploma in Social Work (Level 6)

**Level** 6

**Credits** 286

This qualification has been **reviewed**. The last date to meet the requirements is 30 June 2016.

### Purpose

The National Diploma in Social Work (Level 6) leads on from the National Certificate in Social Services (Level 4) [Ref: 0250] and the National Certificate in Iwi/Maori Social Services (Level 4) [Ref: 0666].

This National Diploma provides recognition of the level of competence, knowledge, and skills required for professional social work in a wide range of settings, in statutory and voluntary agencies and organisations, and in private practice. People awarded the National Diploma in Social Work (Level 6) are able to work in the social services industry under professional supervision, with a considerable degree of autonomy and accountability for achieving outcomes as a professional social worker. They are able to establish and maintain working relationships with people from user groups of the social services, and provide or facilitate the provision of social work services. They are able to work within a framework for professional social work practice informed by knowledge and skills in the application and implementation of Te Tiriti o Waitangi in the social services. They practice according to ethical and legislative boundaries, and demonstrate an integrated practice theory for professional social work.

The National Diploma in Social Work (Level 6) is designed as a basic professional qualification for those people who are seeking employment in the social services as a Social Worker. There is some overlap between this diploma and the National Diploma in Youth Work (Level 6) [Ref: 0670], the National Diploma in Iwi/Maori Social Services (Level 6) [Ref: 0667], the National Diploma in Community Work (Level 6) [Ref: 0987], and the National Diploma in Counselling (Level 6) [Ref: 0988].

### Replacement Information

This qualification has been replaced by the National Diploma in Social Services (Level 6) [Ref: 1652].

### Credit Range

Level 4 credits	31
Level 5 credits	129
Level 6 or above credits	126
Total	286

## Requirements for Award of Qualification

### Award of NZQF National Qualifications

Credit gained for a standard may be used only once to meet the requirements of this qualification.

Unit standards and achievement standards that are equivalent in outcome are mutually exclusive for the purpose of award. The table of mutually exclusive standards is provided on the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) website: <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/qualifications-standards/standards/standards-exclusion-list/>.

Reviewed standards that continue to recognise the same overall outcome are registered as new versions and retain their identification number (ID). Any version of a standard with the same ID may be used to meet qualification requirements that list the ID and/or that specify the past or current classification of the standard.

### Summary of Requirements

- Compulsory standards

### Detailed Requirements

#### Compulsory

The following standards are required

#### Community and Social Services > Social Services > Community Work

ID	Title	Level	Credit
7914	Analyse concerns, issues, needs, and resources in the community	6	6
7996	Facilitate strategies to effect change in social policies, structures, or service delivery	6	9

#### Community and Social Services > Social Services > Counselling

ID	Title	Level	Credit
7955	Engage in counselling with individuals	5	9
7959	Engage in counselling with families and whānau	6	12

#### Community and Social Services > Social Services > Manage Social Services

ID	Title	Level	Credit
7942	Operate within governance and management in a social service organisation	5	3
7943	Deal with violence in a social service workplace	5	6
7949	Locate, critique, and interpret social service research	5	6
7950	Prepare a proposal for social service research	6	9

## Community and Social Services &gt; Social Services &gt; Professional Development of Social Service Workers

ID	Title	Level	Credit
7917	Demonstrate self awareness for social service work	6	12
7918	Implement a self care plan for social service work	5	6
7919	Describe the roles and functions of social service workers	4	4
7922	Participate in professional social services supervision as a supervisee	5	9
7944	Explain legal structures and laws for social service practice	5	9
19404	Analyse ethics for social service work	5	4

## Community and Social Services &gt; Social Services &gt; Provide Social Services

ID	Title	Level	Credit
7913	Undertake assessments of social service user situations	6	6
7925	Establish and maintain working relationships with people of own culture and life experience	5	6
7926	Explain Te Tiriti o Waitangi for social service purposes	4	6
7927	Explain the application of Te Tiriti o Waitangi in the social services	5	3
7928	Implement Te Tiriti o Waitangi in the social services	6	6
7930	Negotiate service provision with users of social services	4	3
7932	Establish role in the community as a social service worker	5	4
7934	Facilitate groups in social service work	5	6
7937	Provide information for specific social service needs	5	6
7948	Prepare and write social service reports	5	6
7953	Use Te Reo and waiata in social service work	4	9
7954	Contribute to a noho marae within social service work	4	6
7962	Intervene in crisis situations with individuals, couples, families and whānau	5	6
7970	Facilitate conflict resolution in social service work	5	4
7972	Facilitate social service meetings or hui	5	3
7973	Co-ordinate hui on and off marae for social service purposes	5	3
7975	Assist social service users to access social services in the community	5	6

ID	Title	Level	Credit
7976	Analyse social service provision in the community	6	9
8000	Act as an advocate in social service work	6	3
8071	Establish and maintain working relationships with people of other cultures and life experience	5	6
19494	Establish and maintain working relationships with whānau in social service work	5	6
19496	Facilitate empowerment of people experiencing oppression and marginalisation	6	15

Community and Social Services > Social Services > Social Service Work with Abuse, Neglect, and Violence

ID	Title	Level	Credit
7984	Identify, respond to, and report in situations of suspected abuse, neglect, or violence	4	3
7985	Establish protection and safety plans in social service work with abuse, neglect, or violence	6	9

Community and Social Services > Social Services > Social Work

ID	Title	Level	Credit
7958	Facilitate family meetings and whānau hui	6	6
19414	Integrate theory and practice in social work	5	12
19415	Demonstrate an integrated practice theory for social work	6	24

## Transition Arrangements

Version 2 was issued to indicate that this qualification is expiring.

For detailed information see Review Summaries on the NZQA website.

## Previous versions of the qualification

Version 1

Transition from the New Zealand Children and Young Persons Service\* Certificate of Competency

Community Support Services ITO Limited (Careerforce) recognises that the National Diploma in Social Work (Level 6) [Ref: 0989] has a relationship with the New Zealand Children and Young Persons Service Certificate of Competency, which was part of the NZ Council for Education and Training in Social Services (NZCETSS) national qualification recognition system. The NZCETSS system of qualifications is no longer available following the establishment of Community Support Services ITO Limited (Careerforce).

People seeking credit exemptions for the New Zealand Children and Young Persons Service Certificate of Competency for this qualification must apply to Community Support Services ITO Limited (Careerforce) by 31 December 2004. Community Support Services ITO Limited (Careerforce) will use the table of credit exemptions below to process transition credits, collate results, and forward to NZQA for processing. The transition table specifies the different components of the certificate of competency and the corresponding unit standard exemptions.

\*Now known as the Department of Child, Youth and Family Services.

This qualification contains standards that replace earlier standards. For the purposes of this qualification, people who have gained credit for the expiring standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the replacement standards – see table below.

<b>Credit for</b>	<b>Exempt from</b>
7916	19404
7964, 7965	19496
7920	19414
7929	19494
7964, 7966	19496
7964, 7967	19496
7964, 7968	19496
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## NZQF National Qualification Registration Information

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	December 2002	June 2016
Review	2	May 2011	June 2016

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### Certification

This certificate will display the logos of NZQA, the Community Support Services ITO Limited (Careerforce) and the organisation that has been granted consent to assess against standards that meet the requirements of the qualification (accredited).

### Classification

This qualification is classified according to the classification system listed on the Directory of Assessment Standards (DAS) and the New Zealand Standard Classification of Education (NZSCED) system as specified below.

DAS Classification		NZSCED	
Code	Description	Code	Description
1824	Community and Social Services > Social Services > Social Work	090501	Society and Culture > Human Welfare Studies and Services > Social Work

### Quality Management Systems

Providers and Industry Training Organisations must be granted consent to assess by a recognised Quality Assurance Body before they can register credits from assessment against standards. Organisation with consent to assess and Industry Training Organisations assessing against standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards. Consent to assess requirements and the moderation system are outlined in the associated Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) for each standard.