

<b>Title</b>	<b>Observe and report the activity of gang members in a prison environment</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>4</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	<p>This unit standard is for people working as officers in a prison environment and covers gang identification, and observing and reporting the behaviour of gang members.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: demonstrate knowledge of gangs in prisons; and observe, document and report the behaviour and activity of gang members in prisons.</p>
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<b>Classification</b>	Offender Management > Prisoner Management
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<b>Available grade</b>	Achieved
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### Guidance Information

- 1 This unit standard is intended for workplace assessment.
- 2 Legislation and standards relevant to this unit standard include but are not limited to:  
Corrections Act 2004;  
Corrections Regulations 2005;  
Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;  
Operational manual and code of conduct relating to the prison;  
and any subsequent amendments or replacements.
- 3 Definitions  

*Gangs* – The term *gangs* is currently used to define or refer to gangs within Aotearoa/New Zealand, including OMCGs. An Aotearoa/New Zealand adult or youth gang is an organisation, association or group which has a common name and one or more common identifiers. Members or associates either individually or collectively promote, encourage and engage in criminal activity driven by a desire for profit and/or to create an atmosphere of fear and intimidation, which is enabled by membership in the gang.

*OMCG* – outlaw motorcycle gang.

*Organisational policies and procedures* refer to the formal policies and procedures for a specific prison site and its activities, and which are consistent with its lead organisation.

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## Outcomes and performance criteria

### Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of gangs in prisons.

#### Performance criteria

1.1 Describe prominent gangs and their key identifiers.

Range prominent gangs include gangs from – North Island prison sites, South Island prison sites;  
key identifiers – clothing, colours, tattoos, hand signs, property and possessions, verbal identifiers.

1.2 Describe gang types and their structures.

Range gang types – adult gangs, youth gangs, prison gangs, OMCG;  
gang structures include but are not limited to – chapter, faction.

1.3 Describe gang influence and activity in a prison.

Range stand-over tactics, taxing, violence, contraband introduction and dealing, influence over staff, influence over other prisoners.

### Outcome 2

Observe, document, and report the behaviour and activity of gang members in prisons.

#### Performance criteria

2.1 Observe and document the behaviour and activity of gang members in a prison in accordance with organisational policies and procedures.

Range behaviour may include but is not limited to – behaviour that is unusual for the prisoner, trends in prisoner behaviour;  
documentation methods may include but are not limited to – notebook entries, incident reports, file notes.

2.2 Describe types of intelligence information that require routine reporting and urgent reporting, in accordance with organisational policies and procedures.

Range reporting methods may include but are not limited to – notebook entries, face-to-face, telephone, electronic;  
evidence of two urgent reporting examples and one non-urgent reporting example is required.

2.3 Report collected information about gang members and their activity to corrections staff in accordance with organisational policies and procedures.

Range corrections staff may include but are not limited to – managers, other staff members, operational intelligence officers.

2.4 Record information in the required format and timeframe in accordance with organisational policies and procedures.

**This unit standard is expiring. Assessment against the standard must take place by the last date for assessment set out below.**

#### Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.