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Review of *Cleaning and Caretaking* qualification

National Certificate in Cleaning and Caretaking (Level 2) [Ref: 0214]

The Building Service Contractors of New Zealand Incorporated has completed the review of the qualification listed above that was registered in October 1996.

Date new version published

September 2005

The review of this qualification is planned to take place in 2010

Reason for the review

During April 2005 BSCNZ consulted closely with people involved in the health care industry, which includes hospitals and aged residential care facilities. The consultation process revealed that the current qualification did not provide due recognition for the specific skills and knowledge required by cleaners (cleaning service workers) in the sector. To meet this need a new strand in Health Care Facilities was created which includes three unit standards relating to Health Sector Cleaning. It was decided to use these BSCNZ unit standards to facilitate uptake of the qualification by industry and trainees. The sector endorses the new qualification.

Main changes resulting from the review

National Certificate in Cleaning and Caretaking (Level 2) [Ref: 0214]

National Certificate in Cleaning and Caretaking (Level 2) with strands in Commercial Cleaning and Health Care Facilities [Ref: 0214]

Changes to the structure and content

- The electives have been restructured into a Commercial Cleaning strand.
- A strand for cleaning service workers in Health Care Facilities has been added.
- The qualification has been issued as version 7.

Transition

People currently enrolled in programmes leading to the award of version 6 of this qualification may either complete that version or transfer to version 7. The last date for the award of version 6 of this qualification is 31 December 2008.

Anyone who feels disadvantaged by these transition arrangements should contact the SSB at the address below.

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