

Field Health

Revision of *Cervical Screening* unit standard 1098

Subfield	Domain	ID
Health Studies	Cervical Screening	1098

NZQA National Qualifications Services has completed the revision of the unit standard listed above.

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Summary

This revision was driven by changes in legislation. The National Screening Unit was advised that all smear takers must be up-to-date with the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) testing documents. HPV testing is significantly new and has only just been introduced to the smear taking process.

Main changes

- A reference to HPV was revised in explanatory note 2.
- Range statements were added for evidence requirements 1.2 and 2.1 to clarify requirements in relation to HPV.
- Entry requirements, not critical to health and safety, were included in explanatory notes for guidance. Other entry requirements were placed under the 'Critical health and safety prerequisite' heading to more clearly signal their mandatory nature.
- Some evidence requirements were amended for consistency.
- References in the explanatory notes were updated.

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