

Field Health**Review of Ambulance unit standards**

Subfield	Domain	ID
Emergency Services	Ambulance	24849, 24850, 24852-24870

The Skills Organisation (Skills) has completed the review of the unit standards listed above.

Date new versions published

21 April 2016

Planned review date

31 December 2021

Summary

During 2014, a mandatory sector review of qualifications in the Healthcare sector occurred. The New Zealand Diploma in Ambulance Practice (Level 5) [Ref: 3065] was listed in 2015 and to support the new qualification, the Ambulance unit standards were reviewed. The development encompassed broad consultation with the sector to ensure that the standards align to the qualification outcomes and meet current and future needs.

Main changes

- New unit standards addressing themes required by the New Zealand Diploma in Ambulance Practice (Level 5) [Ref: 3065] were listed.
- Unit standards 24858 and 24862-24870 were updated and new versions published with credit values reflecting the experience of assessment against the previous versions and alignment to the outcomes of the new qualification.
- Unit standards 24855, 24856, and 24861 were replaced by 29415, to update and better reflect natural groupings of outcomes.
- Unit standards 24859 and 24860 were replaced by 29416, to update and better reflect natural groupings of outcomes.
- Unit standard 24857 was replaced by 29417, to update and better reflect natural groupings of outcomes.
- 29418, a new standard, was registered; it deals with themes related to, but does not replace, unit standards 24852-24854, which were set to expire.
- Unit standards 24849 and 24850 were set to expire.

Category C and D unit standards will expire at the end of December 2019.

The last date for assessment of superseded versions of Category B unit standards is December 2019.

Impact on registered qualifications

Key to type of impact	
Affected	The qualification lists a reviewed classification (domain or subfield) in an elective set The qualification lists a standard that has changes to level or credits The qualification lists a C or D category standard
Not materially affected	The qualification lists a standard that has a new title The qualification lists a standard that has a new classification

The following Skills qualification is impacted by the outcome of this review and was reviewed in 2014. The standards that generated the status *Affected* are listed in **bold**.

Ref	Qualification Title	Classification or ID
1408	National Diploma in Ambulance Practice (Level 5)	24849, 24850, 24852-24857, 24858, 24859-24861, 24862-24870

Key to review category	
A	Dates changed, but no other changes are made - the new version of the standard carries the same ID and a new version number
B	Changes made, but the overall outcome remains the same - the new version of the standard carries the same ID and a new version number
C	Major changes that necessitate the registration of a replacement standard with a new ID
D	Standard will expire and not be replaced

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ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
24849	Conduct a patient assessment in an ambulance context	3	3	D
24850	Provide basic life support using an automated external defibrillator in an ambulance context	4	4	D
24852	Locate and summarise, critique, and evaluate potential impacts of medical research relevant to an ambulance context	4	4	D
24853	Demonstrate knowledge of legislation, regulations, codes of practice, and consumer rights in an ambulance context	4	3	D
24854	Demonstrate knowledge of personal conduct in situations requiring police involvement in an ambulance context	4	2	D
24855	Demonstrate knowledge of the management of patients with acute respiratory symptoms in an ambulance context	5	4	C
24856	Demonstrate knowledge of the management of patients with acute cardiovascular symptoms in an ambulance context	5	5	C
24861	Demonstrate knowledge of the management of patients with traumatic chest injury in an ambulance context	5	4	C
29415	Demonstrate knowledge of management of patients with acute respiratory & cardiovascular symptoms in an ambulance context	5	15	

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
24857	Demonstrate knowledge of the management of patients with acute abdominal symptoms in an ambulance context	5	4	C
29417	Demonstrate knowledge of the management of patients with acute abdominal symptoms in an ambulance context	5	8	
24858	Demonstrate knowledge of the management of patients with acute diabetic emergency symptoms in an ambulance context	5	4 5	B
24859	Demonstrate knowledge of the management of patients with acute neurological symptoms in an ambulance context	5	5	C
24860	Demonstrate knowledge of the management of traumatic head and spinal injury patients in an ambulance context	5	4	C
29416	Demonstrate knowledge of the management of patients with acute neurological presentations in an ambulance context	5	12	
24862	Demonstrate knowledge of management of trauma to the integumentary system, and musculoskeletal or abdominopelvic cavity Demonstrate knowledge of management of trauma to the integumentary system, and musculoskeletal injury	5	5	B
24863	Demonstrate knowledge of the management of patients with symptoms of shock in an ambulance context	5	5	B
24864	Demonstrate knowledge of management of patients with acute obstetric conditions and the newborn in an ambulance context	5	5	B
24865	Demonstrate knowledge of the management of patients with acute paediatric conditions in an ambulance context	5	5	B
24866	Demonstrate knowledge of the management of patients with acute geriatric conditions in an ambulance context	5	4 5	B
24867	Demonstrate knowledge of environmental conditions and their effects on patients in an ambulance context	5	6	B
24868	Demonstrate knowledge of the management of patients with acute mental illness in an ambulance context	5	3 4	B
24869	Apply integrated clinical practice in an ambulance context	5	48 30	B
24870	Demonstrate knowledge of pharmacology in an ambulance context	4	5	B

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
29418	Demonstrate knowledge of processes to support patient safety and comply with legislation in an ambulance context	5	10	New