

Title	Describe pre-packaged medication and the process for its use in a health or wellbeing setting		
Level	2	Credits	2

Purpose	<p>This entry-level unit standard is for people providing services in a health or wellbeing setting.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to describe: pre-packaged medication; and the process for supporting a person to use pre-packaged medication, in a health or wellbeing setting.</p>
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Classification	Health, Disability, and Aged Support > Community Support Services
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation and codes relevant to this unit standard include but are not limited to:
 - Health and Disability Commissioner (Code of Health and Disability Services Consumers' Rights) Regulations 1996 (the Code of Rights);
 - Health and Disability Services (Safety) Act 2001;
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
 - Human Rights Act 1993;
 - Privacy Act 1993.
- 2 New Zealand Standards relevant to this unit standard include but are not limited to:
 - NZS 8134.0:2008 *Health and disability services Standards – Health and disability services (general) Standard*;
 - NZS 8134.1:2008 *Health and disability services Standards – Health and disability services (core) Standards*;
 - NZS 8134.3:2008 *Health and disability services Standards – Health and disability services (infection prevention and control) Standards*;
 - NZS 8158:2012 *Home and community support sector Standard*; available at <http://www.standards.co.nz/>.
- 3 Definitions
 - Health or wellbeing setting* includes but is not limited to – the aged care, acute care, community support, disability, mental health, and social services sectors.
 - Organisational policies and procedures* – policies, procedures and methodologies of an organisation. They include legislative and regulatory requirements which may apply across a company, a specific site, or a workplace. Requirements are documented in the company's health and safety plans, contract work programmes, quality assurance programmes, policies and procedural documents.

Person – a person accessing services. Other terms used for the person may include client, consumer, customer, patient, individual, resident, service user, tūroro, or tangata whai ora.

Pre-packaged – blister packs and/or other pre-packaged medicines prepared for individuals by a registered pharmacist, and containing detailed instructions for the person for whom the medication is prescribed and their support workers.

- 4 Support workers who support people to take prescribed medication that is not 'pre-packaged' should be assessed against Unit 20827, *Support a person to use prescribed medication in a health or wellbeing setting*.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe pre-packaged medication used in a health or wellbeing setting.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Pre-packaged medication is described in terms of the types used by people in a health or wellbeing setting.

Range types of pre-packaged medication may include but are not limited to – blister packs, robotic packages.

- 1.2 The benefits and potential risks of using medication that is pre-packaged are described in terms of the effects on the person using the medication.

Outcome 2

Describe the process for supporting a person to use pre-packaged medication in a health or wellbeing setting.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 The process is described in terms of organisational policies and procedures.

Range process includes but is not limited to – right person, right medicine, right time, right dose, right route, recording and reporting.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	25 June 2007	31 December 2014
Revision	2	20 March 2009	31 December 2014
Revision	3	21 January 2011	31 December 2014
Review	4	14 December 2012	31 December 2016
Review	5	19 March 2015	N/A
Rollover and Revision	6	26 September 2019	N/A

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference

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

Comments on this unit standard

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