Title	Use specialised assistive and/or therapeutic equipment with people in a health or wellbeing setting		
Level	3	Credits	4

Purpose	This unit standard is for people providing services in a health or wellbeing setting.	
	People credited with this unit standard are able to: describe specialised assistive and/or therapeutic equipment; and use specialised assistive and/or therapeutic equipment with people, in a health or wellbeing setting.	

Classification	Health, Disability, and Aged Support > Allied Health Assistance

Available grade	Achieved
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### **Guidance Information**

- 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.
- 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 <a href="http://www.standards.co.nz/">http://www.standards.co.nz/</a>.
- 3 Candidates' practice must reflect appropriate values, processes, and protocols in relation to working with Māori and Pacific peoples and/or people from other cultures, in a range of settings and environments.
- In the context of this unit standard, *support* should aim to maintain, improve, or restore a person's independence and/or interdependence by utilising the person's existing strengths and appropriate resources; but may include providing assistance to enable a client's health and wellbeing needs to be met.

#### 5 Definitions

Boundaries of own role includes but is not limited to – delegation and directives of a health professional, limits of own ability and training and ethical responsibilities. Health professional – a person who is registered with an authority (which is appointed by or under the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003) as a practitioner of a particular health profession to deliver health services in accordance with a defined scope of practice.

Health or wellbeing setting includes but is not limited to – the aged care, acute care, community support, disability, mental health, and social services sectors.

*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.

Specialised assistive and/or therapeutic equipment – equipment used in occupational therapy, physiotherapy, and speech language therapy. Specialised equipment may include but is not limited to – therapeutic equipment for personal care or household management, mobility aids or therapeutic gymnastic equipment, augmentative and alternative communication equipment or pictographic communication resources.

6 Evidence for the practical components of this unit standard must be gathered in the workplace.

# Outcomes and performance criteria

# **Outcome 1**

Describe specialised assistive and/or therapeutic equipment used in a health or wellbeing setting.

## Performance criteria

1.1 Specialised assistive and/or therapeutic equipment is described in terms of its purpose and application.

Range evidence is required for three items of equipment.

1.2 Specialised assistive and/or therapeutic equipment is described in terms of its contribution to meeting a person's goals.

Range evidence is required for two people using different items of equipment.

1.3 Procedures for maintaining specialised assistive and/or therapeutic equipment are described in terms of the manufacturer's specifications.

Range evidence is required for three items of equipment.

# Outcome 2

Use specialised assistive and/or therapeutic equipment with people in a health or wellbeing setting.

Range evidence is required for two items of equipment.

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# Performance criteria

2.1 Specialised assistive and/or therapeutic equipment is used with people in accordance with the directives of the delegating health professional(s), the manufacturer's specifications, and the boundaries of own role.

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

# Comments on this unit standard

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