Title	Facilitate group activities with young people in the youth development sector		
Level	4	Credits	8

Purpose	 A person credited with this standard can in the youth development sector: facilitate the establishment of a youth development activity group; plan a youth development group activity; facilitate a youth development group activity; and, evaluate a youth development group activity.
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Classification	Social Services > Youth Development	
Available grade	Achieved	

Guidance Information

1 Assessment conditions

Evidence for the practical components of this unit standard must be generated in a youth development setting.

2 Assessment notes

Evidence generated for assessment against this standard must reflect workplace requirements specified in:

- documented workplace procedures, policies, and methodologies;
- any applicable statutes, regulations, and Codes of Practice.

Evidence generated for assessment against this standard must reflect the best practice guidelines and principles of youth development specified in:

- the principles of Mana Taiohi;
- the Code of Ethics for Youth Work in Aotearoa New Zealand.

3 Range

Evidence is required of three group activities – one Adventure-Based Learning activity, and two other group activities.

4 Definitions

Adventure Based Learning describes the purposeful use of sequenced activities, including games, trust activities and problem solving or team challenges, for educational or developmental outcomes.

Youth or young person refers to people between 12 and 24 years old. Youth development refers to growing and developing the skills and connections young people need to take part in society and reach their potential.

Youth development sector is a situation where youth development practice is being used intentionally to promote positive development of young people, such as in education, sport, community development, religious groups, cultural groups, and interest groups.

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Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Facilitate the establishment of a youth development activity group in the youth development sector.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 The youth worker's role and function in the group is described.
- 1.2 The youth worker's duty of care is described.
- 1.3 Facilitation services are provided to establish a group using the essential elements of group management.

Range conflict resolution, group leadership, health and safety

requirements, introductions, kawa or protocols, membership of and commitment to the group, relationships within the group or team. NZQA unit standard 28540 version 4
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Outcome 2

Plan a youth development group activity in the youth development sector.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 The aims and objectives of the youth development group activity are determined in consultation with the group.
- 2.2 Group activities are selected that address the identified aims and objectives.
- 2.3 Any resources required for the activity are identified and sourced.

Range environmental, financial, health and safety, human, physical.

Outcome 3

Facilitate a youth development group activity in the youth development sector.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Opportunities for open communication and active listening between group members are encouraged.
- 3.2 Strategies that promote respect amongst group members are used.

Range may include but is not limited to respect for – ability, age, complex needs, culture, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identification preferences, sexuality, subculture.

3.3 Conflict is safely managed within the boundaries of the youth worker's role.

Outcome 4

Evaluate a youth development group activity in the youth development sector.

Performance criteria

4.1 Following conclusion, the youth development activity is evaluated against its defined aims and objectives.

Range must include – feedback from group activity participants;

may include but is not limited to – areas for development,

communication, duty of care, group management, group process, health and wellbeing, leadership style, risk management, wins.

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