

# CHC43315 Certificate IV in Mental Health

## DESCRIPTION

This qualification reflects the role of workers who provide self-directed recovery-oriented support for people affected by mental illness and psychiatric disability. Work involves implementing community-based programs and activities focusing on mental health, mental illness, and psychiatric disability.

Work is undertaken in a range of community contexts such as community-based non-government organisations, home-based outreach, centre-based programs, respite care, residential services, rehabilitation programs, clinical settings, or supporting people in employment.

Work is carried out autonomously under the broad guidance of other practitioners and professionals.

**To achieve this qualification, the candidate must have completed at least 80 hours of work as detailed in the Assessment Requirements of units of competency.**

*No licensing, legislative, regulatory, or certification requirements apply to this qualification at the time of publication.*

## ELIGIBILITY/ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no mandatory requirements; however, candidates who wish to commence this course need to have the required skills and knowledge to undertake the qualification at this level, e.g., completion of Year 10 or equivalent and a general command of spoken and written English to be able to meet industry standards for communication. A pre-assessment may be required.

To be eligible to undertake a mandatory work placement in a mental health care setting, students may be required to obtain:

- Ochre Card to work with children.
- NT Police Clearance.

Students may also require occupational health screening, including vaccinations.

To ensure you have the right skills and support to succeed in your course, a Language, Literacy, Numeracy and Digital Literacy (LLND) evaluation helps identify any areas where you may need additional support to help you achieve your goals.

## DELIVERY DETAILS

Location(s)	Duration*	Study mode
Casuarina Alice Springs	1 year full-time 2 years part-time	Delivery method includes blended, face-to-face, online, and workplace learning.

*\* Duration will vary depending on how long a student takes to reach the required competency level.*

Students have access to all resources on LearnLine, CDU 24/7 online learning system.

## FEES

Fee Type	2025 Course Fees
NT Government Supported*	\$3,126.50
Full Fee	\$11,542.70

\*This course is supported by the NT Government for [eligible](#) domestic students who are NT residents. A limited number of NT Government supported places are available, so secure your place now.

Fees shown are indicative and subject to change annually. Actual course fees may vary depending on the units chosen. International non-student visa-holders; study eligibility needs to be verified before enrolment. Fees may vary depending on the visa type. The course fee rates will vary for commercial contract arrangements.

For further clarification and information on fees, fee exemptions, payment options, instalment plans, and refunds, contact CDU on 1800 061 963 or refer to [TAFE Fees and Payments](#)

## ASSESSMENT

Assessments vary with each unit but include written assignments, case studies and role plays, structured projects, reports, and workplace observation. You will receive a detailed assessment guide for each unit studied within the qualification, including due dates for submission of assessments.

## RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

RPL is a process that determines whether the skills, knowledge and experience you have gained through your previous study, work or life experience can count towards a vocational training qualification at CDU. For more information, visit [VET RPL](#).

## RESOURCES

Learning material and activities are provided online through Learnline. Students must access this material and engage with the activities to complete the requirements of the unit; Students must log into Learnline on the first day of the teaching period. Computer and internet access is required to source information and complete assessments.

There may be costs if the student is not employed and is required to undertake work placement:

- Working With Children Clearance – Standard Fee (Employment) \* \$84.00
- Working with Children Clearance – Concession Fee (Volunteer) \* \$8.00
- National Police Check \$84.00
- National Police Check – Concession Fee (Volunteer) \$16.00
- NDIS Worker Screening Check \$141.00
- NDIS Worker Screening Check – Concession Fee (Volunteer) \$14.00

## STUDY AND CAREER PATHWAYS

Further training pathways from this qualification include but are not limited to CHC533135 Diploma of Mental Health. On completion of this qualification, credit/s may be available into Higher Education Courses.

Possible occupations relevant to this qualification include:

- Community Rehabilitation Worker
- Community Rehabilitation and Support Worker
- Outreach Officer
- Mental Health Outreach Worker
- Assistant Community Services Worker

## QUALIFICATION CONTENT

To achieve a CHC43315 Certificate IV in Mental Health, a total of fifteen (15) units of competency must be completed, comprising eleven (11) core units and four (4) elective units as detailed in the packaging rules and listed below. The electives offered may vary between campuses.

### CORE UNITS

CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people
CHCDIV002	Promote Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety
CHCLEG001	Work legally and ethically
CHCMHS002	Establish self-directed recovery relationships
CHCMHS003	Provide recovery oriented mental health services
CHCMHS004	Work collaboratively with the care network and other services
CHCMHS005	Provide services to people with co-existing mental health and alcohol and other drugs issues
CHCMHS007	Work effectively in trauma informed care
CHCMHS008	Promote and facilitate self-advocacy
CHCMHS011	Assess and promote social, emotional and physical wellbeing
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety

### ELECTIVE UNITS

CHCCCS019	Recognise and respond to crisis situations
CHCAOD001	Work in an alcohol and other drugs context
HLTWHS006	Manage personal stressors in the work environment
CHCADV001	Facilitate the interests and rights of clients

## WITHDRAWING FROM A QUALIFICATION

You may withdraw from this qualification and receive, where relevant, a Statement of Attainment for all units of competency you have successfully completed.

## SUPPORT SERVICES

The University supplies support for students in many areas, including Accommodation, Careers and Employability, Counselling, Disability Services, Student Advocacy, Indigenous Tutorial Support Services, International Student Support Services, Library Services, and VET Learner Support Services.

More information is available at [Student Support](#).

## CONTACT DETAILS

Health and Community Services

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For further information regarding student life at CDU, please refer to <https://www.cdu.edu.au/study/student-life>.