Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing) (CHC33015)

The Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing) runs for 14-16 weeks fulltime, including 10 weeks of in-class lectures, and 4-6 weeks of mandatory practical placement in an aged care facility (minimum 120 hours). Essential knowledge and skills will be assessed through written work, simulated exercises, workshops and industry placement.

This course is nationally recognised, and upon completion, students will gain the necessary knowledge and skills to work as an Assistant in Nursing (AIN), a Personal Care Assistant (PCA) in an Aged Care Facility, a Community support Worker, a Home Care Assistant or a Community Care Worker.

Students aspiring to continue with further study can upgrade to the Certificate IV in Ageing Support, or diversify their training by undertaking another qualifications in other Community Service areas such as Disability. Students can also advance into Diploma level studies or other health care professions such as Nursing at a tertiary level.

Under this training, students from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) backgrounds will be able to receive language support (if required) to enable them to work through their notes and to prepare for assessment.

Units of competency (7 Compulsory units and 6 Electives)

- CHCCCS015 Provide individualised support
- CHCCCS023 Support independence and well being
- CHCCOM005 Communicate and work in health or community services
- CHCDIV001 Work with diverse people
- CHCLEG001 Work legally and ethically
- HLTAAP001 Recognise healthy body systems
- HLTWHS002 Follow safe work practices for direct client care
- CHCAGE001 Facilitate the empowerment of older people
- CHCAGE005 Provide support to people living with dementia
- CHCCCS011 Meet personal support needs
- HLTINF001 Comply with infection control policies and procedures
- HLTAID003 Provide first aid
- HLTAID001 Provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation

Course duration: 14 weeks

Entry requirements: Basic English language and literacy & numeracy skills