

Diploma of Community Services (Mental health) CHC50308

Qualification overview:	Includes counselling, referral, advocacy and education/health promotion services Requires high level specialist knowledge, skills and competencies especially in regard to laws affecting clients, the range of services available to them and health issues related to mental health.
Compulsory units:	14
Elective units:	2

Who is this for:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community rehabilitation and support worker 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental health outreach worker
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community support worker 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental health rehabilitation support worker
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental health community worker 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental health support worker

The compulsory units are:

CHCAD504A	Provide advocacy and representation services
CHCAOD510A	Work effectively with clients with complex alcohol and/or other drug issues
CHCCOM403A	Use targeted communication skills to build relationships
CHCCS504A	Provide services to clients with complex needs
CHCCW503A	Work intensively with clients
CHCMH401A	Work effectively in mental health settings
CHCMH402A	Apply understanding of mental health issues and recovery processes
CHCMH404A	Conduct assessment and planning as part of the recovery process
CHCMH409A	Facilitate consumer, family and carer participation in the recovery process
CHCMH501A	Provide advanced supports to facilitate recovery
CHCORG428A	Reflect on and improve own professional practice
CHCPOL501A	Access evidence and apply in practice
CHCPROM503A	Provide community focused promotion and prevention strategies
HLTOHS400A	Maintain OHS processes

Electives

The Mental Health Coordinating Council (MHCC) and the Industry Reference Group have selected a range of elective competencies that are considered most useful to those working in the Community Mental Health sector in NSW. MHCC recognises other equivalent units that may have been completed. Other electives are possible on negotiation contact MHCC on 9555-8388 ext 106.

Alcohol and other drug electives offered

- CHCAOD402A Work effectively in the alcohol and other drugs sector
- CHCAOD510A Work effectively with clients with complex alcohol and/or other drug issues
- CHCAOD511B Provide advanced interventions to meet the needs of clients with alcohol and/or other drug issues
- CHCAOD512A Develop and implement a behaviour response plan
(Note pre-requisite CHCICS305A)
- CHCAOD513A Provide relapse prevention strategies

Other electives offered

- CHCMH405A Work collaboratively to support recovery process
- HLTHIR403B Work effectively with culturally diverse clients and co-workers
- HLTHIR404B Work effectively with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people
- CHCCS305A Assist clients with medication (Note pre-requisite HLTAP301A)