## **Modification history**

| Release   | Comments   |
|-----------|--|
| Release 1 | This version released with Racing and Breeding Training Package Version 3.0. |

| RGRPSGXX10        | Provide massage and non-invasive health treatments for greyhounds   |
|-------------------|---|
| Application       | This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to perform massage therapy and non-invasive health treatments on greyhounds after conducting a physical examination to detect injury or dysfunction.  |
|                   | The unit applies to individuals who work independently as health assistants and take responsibility for their own work. They complete routine activities dealing with predictable and unpredictable problems relating to their work in the greyhound racing sector. |
|                   | All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, according to state/territory animal welfare and health and safety regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace.   |
|                   | No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.   |
| Prerequisite Unit | The prerequisite unit of competency for this unit is:  RGRPSG201 Handle greyhounds  RGRPSGXX8 Relate musculoskeletal structure to greyhound movement  |
| Unit Sector       | Performance services greyhounds (PSG)   |

| Elements                                       | Performance Criteria   |
|--|--|
| Elements describe the essential outcomes.      | Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.                                    |
| Prepare for greyhound massage therapy and non- | 1.1 Obtain background information from owner and/or trainer on greyhound performance to assist in identifying common injuries      |
| invasive treatments                            | 1.2 Prepare a safe and controlled area for conducting an examination and non-invasive treatments                                   |
|  | 1.3 Conduct a physical examination of individual greyhound to identify areas of soreness, muscle tension and joint mobility issues |
|  | 1.4 Discuss outcomes of examination and discuss proposed treatment plan with owner and/or trainer                                  |
|  | 1.5 Confirm owner and/or trainer consent for treatment   |
| 2. Provide greyhound                           | 2.1 Massage greyhound using appropriate techniques, sequence, and  |
| massage therapy                                | degree of pressure according to agreed treatment plan  |
| treatments                                     | 2.2 Recognise greyhound reactions to treatment and respond accordingly   |
|  | avoiding pain and distress   |
|  | 2.3 Adapt massage therapy to meet individual needs of greyhound  |
| 3. Identify and select other                   | 3.1 Identify appropriate non-invasive treatments to include in treatment plan  |
| non-invasive treatments to                     | 3.2 Select most appropriate non-invasive treatment for individual greyhound  |
| address greyhound needs                        | 3.3 Check equipment to be used in treatment to ensure correct functioning and safe use   |
|  | 3.4 Apply treatment on greyhound using correct techniques  |
| 4. Monitor and evaluate                        | 4.1 Provide feedback to owner and/or trainer on greyhound response to  |
| greyhound massage                              | treatments   |
| therapy and non-invasive treatments            | 4.2 Advise on recovery or stand down times for relevant injuries or rehabilitation   |
|  | 4.3 Maintain accurate records of treatments for individual greyhounds and  |
|  | provide a copy to owner and/or trainer   |

| Foundation Skills   |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria. |   |  |
| Skill   | Description   |  |
| Writing   | Record information clearly and accurately in treatment plans for internal and external purposes                                       |  |
| Navigate the world of work  | Take responsibility for following regulatory and racing industry requirements relating to health assistant role and scope of practice |  |
| Get the work done   | Plan, sequence and prioritise activities to achieve work outcome  |  |

| Unit Mapping Information  |                                 |          |                    |
|---|---------------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| Code and title current version  | Code and title previous version | Comments | Equivalence status |
| RGRPSGX10<br>Provide massage<br>and non-invasive<br>health treatments<br>for greyhounds | Not applicable                  | New unit | No equivalent unit |

| Links | Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at |
|-------|--|
|       | VETNet:  |
|       | https://vetnet.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=5c4b8489-  |
|       | f7e1-463b-81c8-6ecce6c192a0  |

| TITLE | Assessment requirements for RGRPSGX10 Provide massage |
|-------|---|
|       | and non-invasive health treatments for greyhounds     |

## Performance Evidence

An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit

There must be evidence that the individual has:

- · carried out massage therapy for at least three greyhounds
- · carried out other non-invasive treatments for at least two greyhounds
- completed records for each greyhound treatment in performance evidence.

## **Knowledge Evidence**

An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:

- · physical examination, including:
  - · gait, stance, symmetry
  - · conformation and posture
  - muscle tension
  - behaviour
  - eyes clarity and focus
- common greyhound injuries, including:
  - · tears and strains of the major muscles of fore and hind limbs
  - · sprains and dislocations of lower limb and toe joints
  - · swelling, bruising, abrasions and lacerations
- massage techniques, including:
  - long flowing strokes)
  - kneading
  - circular massage
  - compression
- · non-invasive treatments, including:
  - examinations for musculoskeletal function and injury
  - manual/massage therapy
  - physiotherapy machines for treatments laser therapy, therapeutic ultra-sound, magnetic field therapy
  - ice therapy
  - heat pack therapy
  - · application of liniments
  - underwater treadmill, hydrotherapy
- formats for treatment plans and record keeping.

## **Assessment Conditions**

Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:

- physical conditions:
  - a workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
- resources, equipment and materials:
  - various greyhounds for massage and non-invasive treatments
  - equipment required for non-invasive treatments
- specifications
  - · recording forms.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

RGRPSGX10 Provide massage and non-invasive health treatments for greyhounds

| Links | Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet:  |
|-------|---|
|       | https://vetnet.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=5c4b8489-f7e1-463b- |
|       | 81c8-6ecce6c192a0   |