Modification history

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| Release | Comments |
| Release 1 | This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 4.0. |

| ACMGEN101 | Explore job opportunities in animal care and related industries |
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| Application | This unit covers the skills and knowledge required to investigate work activities undertaken by a range of animal care and management facilities and/or services, and to explore employment opportunities.  This unit applies to individuals seeking entry level work or involvement in community volunteering in the animal care and management industry. Animal care may occur in a wide variety of workplaces, including retail pet stores, boarding/day care facilities, shelters and other workplaces. In this context, individuals work alongside a supervisor in most situations, exercise limited autonomy and identify and seek help with simple problems.  No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication. |
| Prerequisite Unit | Nil |
| Unit Sector | General Animal Care (GEN) |

| Elements | Performance Criteria |
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| Elements describe the essential outcomes. | Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. |
| 1. Identify the sectors of the animal care and related industries | 1.1 Identify categories of animal care employment  1.2 Outline sectors within the animal care industry  1.3 Identify functions within each animal care sector |
| 2. Profile animal care job roles and functions | 2.1 Identify the types of roles and work functions within the animal care industry using effective observation and questioning techniques  2.2 Engage with workers in animal care workplaces to identify general working conditions in functional areas of animal care  2.3 Identify specific conduct and presentation standards required in animal care workplaces, including health and safety, and animal welfare and ethics requirements |
| 3. Prepare a job application | 3.1 Identify local employment opportunities in animal care and related industries  3.2 Review resume and job application formats to select appropriate style for context  3.3 Prepare a draft resume and job application, targeting a specific animal care workplace |

| 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. | |
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| Skill | Description |
| Writing | Plan, draft and edit resume and job application using technology |
| Oral communication | Use open questions and active listening to obtain information |

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| Unit Mapping Information | | | |
| Code and title current version | Code and title previous version | Comments | Equivalence status |
| ACMGEN101 Explore job opportunities in animal care and related industries | ACMGAS101 Investigate job opportunities in animal care and related industries | Title changed  Elements 2 and 3 merged  Changes to performance criteria for clarity  Assessment requirements updated | Not equivalent |

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| TITLE | Assessment requirements for ACMGEN101 Explore job opportunities in animal care and related industries |
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| 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 explored job opportunities in a minimum of two different animal care sectors, including:   * identified at least three sectors within animal care * visited at least two animal care workplaces and identified the range of job functions and working and environmental conditions, including conduct and presentation standards * developed a simple resume and job application. | |

| Knowledge Evidence |
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| 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:   * conditions of employment in a range of animal care sectors that address dress code, behaviour standards and workplace health and safety requirements, and animal welfare and ethics requirements * general job responsibilities in a range of animal care sectors * job roles and employment opportunities in a range of animal care sectors * major animal care industry sectors and their functions * resume and job application formats * sources of information on animal care sectors, employment conditions and employment opportunities * basic requirements for animal welfare and ethics. |

| Assessment Conditions |
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| Assessment of the skills in this unit of competency must take place under the following conditions:   * physical conditions: * access to a range of different animal care workplaces * resources, equipment and materials: * formats for resume and job applications * information about animal care workplace requirements * access to workers in animal care workplaces.   Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards. |

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