Modification history

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| Release | Comments |
| Release 2 | This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 4.0. |
| Release 1 | This version released with ACM Animal Care and Management Training Package Version 1.0. |

| ACMGAS101 | 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 new entrants to 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, veterinary clinics, zoos/wildlife sanctuaries, animal research facilities and others. In this context, individuals work alongside a supervisor in most situations, exercise limited autonomy and identify and seek help with simple problems.  All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures according to state/territory health and safety and animal welfare regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace.  No licensing, legislative or certification requirements are known to apply to this unit at the time of publication. |
| Prerequisite Unit | Nil |
| Unit Sector | General Animal Studies (GAS) |

| 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 and related industries employment opportunities | 2.1 Identify the number of people employed in animal care  2.2 Describe general working conditions in functional areas of animal care  2.3 Investigate employment opportunities in animal care and related industries |
| 3. Explore animal care workplaces | 3.1 Visit animal care industry workplaces  3.2 Follow instructions during workplace visits  3.3 Identify the role of staff at the visited animal care workplaces  3.4 Identify specific conduct and presentation standards required in the workplaces visited, including health and safety, and animal welfare and ethics requirements |
| 4. Develop resume and job application | 4.1 Review resume and job application formats to select appropriate style for content  4.2 Prepare a draft resume and job application, targeting one of the workplaces visited |

| 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 computer applications |

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| Unit Mapping Information | | | |
| Code and title current version | Code and title previous version | Comments | Equivalence status |
| ACMGAS101 Explore job opportunities in animal care and related industries | ACMGAS101 Investigate job opportunities in animal care and related industries | Minor edits for consistency | Equivalent unit |

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| TITLE | Assessment requirements for ACMGAS101 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 four sectors within animal care * identified the range of job functions and working conditions, including conduct and presentation standards, required in animal care for two sectors or workplaces * developed a 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 skills 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 * access to sample workplace policies and procedures.   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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