## ACMSSXXX02 Provide Health and Wellbeing Care for Equines Skill Set

#### Skill Set description

This Skill Set describes a targeted set of skills and knowledge required to provide health and wellbeing care for equines across a range of animal care and industry settings. It focuses on species-specific understanding of equine anatomy, physiology and behaviour, and the practical applications of care practices that support the health and welfare of equines, including foals and mares.

It is designed to develop specific capabilities associated with equine-focused care roles, including activities such as observing and monitoring equine health status, recognising normal and abnormal parameters, supporting routine and post-procedure care, assisting with the management of young and breeding animals, and applying established care and handling practices that promote equine welfare and safety.

The Skill Set applies to work contexts including equine veterinary practices, breeding and stud facilities, racing and performance environments, agistment and training facilities, and other equine industry settings where health and wellbeing care is provided.

**Licensing, legislative, regulatory requirements**

Legislative and regulatory requirements relating to the scope of nursing practices or veterinary supervision may apply to some units of competency in this skill set but vary according to state/territory jurisdictions. Users of this skill set must confirm current requirements with the relevant regulatory authority before delivery.

**Pathways information**

The Skill Set may be used as a pathway into a broader veterinary nursing career, providing learners with equine-specific foundations prior to undertaking a veterinary nursing qualification, or an extension for individuals who already hold animal care or veterinary nursing qualifications and require additional, species-specific capability in equine health and wellbeing.

The units in this Skill Set may contribute credit towards the ACMVET4XX26 Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing qualification and other relevant qualifications within the Animal Care and Management (ACM) Training Package.

**Entry requirements**  
Nil

#### Foundation skills outcomes

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| **Learning** | **Reading** | **Writing** | **Oral communication** | **Numeracy** |
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#### Skill set requirements

An asterisk (\*) next to the unit code indicates that there are prerequisite requirements which must be met when packaging the qualification. Please refer to the Prerequisite requirements table for details.

* ACMINF302 Follow equine biosecurity and infection control procedures
* ACMEQU313\* Work safely in equine workplaces
* ACMEQU306\* Provide routine care for horses
* ACMEQU422 Maintain and monitor horse health and welfare
* ACMVET414\* Nurse foals
* ACMEQU212 Handle horses safely
* RGRHBR308 Care for brood mares
* RGRHBR307 Carry out procedures for foaling down mares
* RGRPSH308 Provide first aid and emergency care for horses and other equines

Prerequisite requirements

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| Unit of competency | Prerequisite requirement |
| ACMVET414 Nurse foals | ACMEQU212 Handle horses safely |
| ACMEQU313 Work safely in equine workplaces | ACMEQU212 Handle horses safely |
| ACMEQU306 Provide routine care for horses | ACMEQU212 Handle horses safely |

#### Mapping information

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| **Code and title current version** | **Code and title previous version** | **Equivalence status** | **Comments** |
| ACMSSXXX02 Provide Health and Wellbeing Care for Equines Skill Set | NA | Newly created |  |

### Overview information

#### Modification History

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**Mandatory workplace requirements:**

Assessment of performance evidence may be in a workplace setting or an environment that accurately represents a real workplace.