

FIRST AID TRAINING MATTERS

promoting quality in the first aid industry

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EER—Proposed enhancement—Consultation to strengthen performance monitoring & risk management of Tertiary Education organisations, closes 13 May 2016; and implementation by 1 June. Part A - Proposed changes to Key Evaluative Questions (KEQs); Part B - Strengthen ability to respond to significant risk; Part C - EER implementation enhancements.

‘Universal’ Record of Achievement—The introduction in late 2017 of the new Sector Qualifications Register being built by NZQA will improve data validation and facilitate the recording of learning achieved. The register will be the single repository of information on quality-assured qualifications, programmes and components. The design proposal integrates business processes so that information entered once can be used for different purposes. Improving the information at source will create a quality data sharing system for all stakeholders, from the education organisation to the learner. Feedback closes 31 May 2016.

NZQA— Late last year, Rebecca Boyack (Risk Mgr) noted that NZQA expects providers to take responsibility for ensuring that student attendance requirements are being met. Some attendance requirements are set (e.g. First Aid) and Immigration New Zealand (INZ) sets the attendance requirements for student visas, which NZQA understands are that students are expected to attend at all times unless there is a genuine reason not to.

NZQA and the Tertiary Education Commission (TEC) had recently issued a joint communication to the sector reminding TEOs of the need to ensure ongoing compliance with NZQA and TEC requirements; in particular that programmes are delivered in line with funding and delivery approval requirements. Jane (who has now left her NZQA position as DCE QA) commented on the strength of NZQA and TEC’s processes and noted that NZQA continues to seek intelligence from the sector including early warning of new risks and evidence that a provider is in breach of their requirements.

First Aid as a Life Skill—outlining requirements—In 2010 the New Zealand Qualifications Authority introduced *First Aid as a Life Skill Training Requirements for Quality Provision of Unit-Standard-based First Aid Training’ (First Aid as a Life Skill)*. This document set out a clinical framework for first aid training in New Zealand, as well as detailing training requirements. These requirements were based on guidance originally found in the Department of Labour’s 2001 *Guidance Note on Providing First Aid Equipment Facilities and Training*.

2016 ECIL2 Recertification, AM and First Aid Conference

2016 ECIL2 Annual Recertification — Steve Jenkins has agreed to run the ECIL2 revalidation certification course again as usual the evening before Conference. The venue will be the NZ Resuscitation Council, at The Tce, Wellington as usual. Bookings can be made through the Council’s website.

Annual Meeting, 8.30am, Tuesday 22 Nov 2016—We are seeking feedback from members about going back to our previous Annual Meeting times, i.e. immediately prior to the First Aid Conference 8.30am—9.30am, to allow for more time than at lunch time which we trialled this year. Email us your preferences.

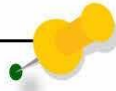
2016 First Aid Conference 10am-4.30pm Tues 22 Nov is confirmed Brentwood Hotel, Wellington. www.aectp.org.nz/ Great feedback shows the 2015 conference was highly valued. If you have any suggestions for speakers, please let us know.

Resuscitation Council Guidelines now published—ILCOR’s consensus on science and treatment recommendations have been released and the new Guidelines are now published and available on the NZRC Website. ANZCOR Co-Chair, Dr Richard Aickin’s Conference presentation provided an excellent outline of the review process and a glimpse as to what is likely to be released. **Council’s focus**—Later this month Councilors representing our Non-Health Professionals sector will meet to discuss Council’s focus. All feedback will be welcomed.

Industry Meeting— NZ Resuscitation Council Industry Meeting provided the opportunity for Council to present an update of the engagement Council has with the Non-Health Professional sector (i.e. those groups and Councilors who have an interest in the area not bound by Health Professionals legislation). Questions were addressed and support for increased collaboration with NZQA and Skills was indicated in order to foster standardised practice.

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Letter From The Chair

Words from the Deputy Chair:

Dear Members.

As way of update, Eric is skypeing into our Board meetings when he can and is still in recovery mode from his fall. I will try and fill his rather large shoes in the interim. I would like to take the opportunity to thank the other Board members who are taking on and sharing extra responsibilities while Eric recovers.

Our Board meetings have recently alternated between Wellington and Christchurch, with the last one being hosted by ST John and the next being hosted by Red Cross. We appreciate the ongoing support into AECTP by these organisations and for the support provided to all Board members by their respective companies, organisations and institutions.

The next Board meeting will look at Strategic planning for AECTP. We get an opportunity to look at how far we have come and where we want to get to.

With that in mind we are also progressing AECTP down the Incorporated Society path, as approved at the last AGM. It's a slow train but it's going in the right direction and we want to get it right.

At our last board meeting we had a Skills Org representative attend and provide insight into their approach and focus around First Aid training. We are working hard in this area so our membership can through the board gain insight into stakeholder thinking in the First Aid area. We think it is essential for us as an Association to develop and encourage this level of interaction and relationship.

We have started our pre planning for the annual conference and there will be more communication on this over the next few months. The ECIL2 revalidation for those members who want it, has also been secured.

For those members whose financial year finishes in June, I wish them full classes and low expenditure for the last quarter and anecdotally we are getting the impression that the H&S legislation introduction has helped create a focus on the need for First aid. This has to be a benefit to all our members at some level.

Coming into Winter, take care as you travel around and take precautions to avoid the flu.

Cheers

Julian Price , Deputy Chair AECTP

111 is New Zealand's emergency number

The St John call-centre is receiving an increase in the number of calls from students attending first aid courses being run by MediTrain asking for an alternative number to call if the 111 emergency number is busy.

This is of great concern as 111 calls are answered by one of the three communication call centres around New Zealand. Local ambulance stations **DO NOT** receive emergency calls and attempting to call one of these local stations will delay assistance with potentially serious consequences. They are also often unattended.

Please ensure your students are aware that the number to call in any emergency is **111**.

AECTP Meetings - 2016

Members welcome at Board Meetings

- 26 Feb—Board Meeting, Wgt
- 2 March—NZQA Peak Body forum, Wgt
- 19 May - Planning Meeting, CHCH
- 20 May - Board meeting, CHCH
- 1 June -NZQA Peak Body forum, Wgt
- 12 Aug—Board Meeting CHCH
- 7 Sept—NZQA Peak Body forum, Wgt
- 7 Oct—Board Meeting ,CHCH
- 3 Nov - NZQA Peak Body forum, Wgt
- 21 Nov 2016— ECIL2 refresher, Wgt
- 22 Nov , AM & FA Conference, Wgt

AECTP provided feedback for the ILCOR & ANZCOR Guidelines review - the updates are now available online.

- NZ Resuscitation Council has now released the updated Guidelines—they can be found on the NZRC website: www.nzrc.org.nz
- The list of co-branded Council Guidelines, including Basic Life Support and First Aid, is provided for members by Ann Gill, PTO
- AECTP members are encouraged to now adopt any changes to the Guidelines as they are now released—please see list in this Newsletter
- The Council is considering their role in the First Aid sector, including an independent text.

AECTP Incorporation

Further steps are being taken by the Board to ensure our AECTP Rules meet all the Incorporation application requirements. Once agreed by the Board, the new Rules document will then be circulated to members prior to ratification.

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NZ and Australian Resuscitation Council Guidelines—by Number/Title: Co-badged = Yes

1.1	Aims and Objectives	Yes	Section 11 Adult Advanced life support		
1.2	Guideline decisions of ARC	Yes	11.1	Introduction to adult life support	Yes
1.3	Process for developing Guidelines	Yes	11.1.1	CPR for advanced life support providers 1	Yes
1.4	Principles & format for developing guidelines	Yes	11.2	Protocols for adult advanced life support	Yes
2	Managing an emergency	Yes	11.3	Precordial thump and fist pacing	Yes
3	Recognition and first aid management of the unconscious victim	Yes	11.4	Electrical Therapy for adult advanced life support	Yes
4	Airway	Yes	11.5	Medications in advanced adult life support	Yes
5	Breathing	Yes	11.6	Equipment and techniques in advanced adult life support	Yes
6	Compressions	Yes	11.6.1	Targeted oxygen therapy in advanced life support 1	Yes
7	Automated external defibrillation in BLS	Yes	11.7	Post resuscitation therapy in adult advanced life support	Yes
8	Cardio pulmonary resuscitation	Yes	11.8	Targeted temperature management after cardiac arrest	Yes
9.1	Trauma	Yes	11.10	Resuscitation in special circumstances	Yes
9.1.1	Principles for control of bleeding	Yes	11.10.1	Management of Cardiac Arrest due to Trauma	Yes
9.1.3	Burns	Yes	Section 12		
9.1.4	Head Injury	Yes	12.1	Introduction to paediatric advanced life support	Yes
9.1.5	Harness supervision trauma	Yes	12.2	Advanced life support for infants and children	Yes
9.1.6	Spinal injury	Yes	12.3	Flow chart for sequential management of arrhythmias in infants/children	Yes
9.1.7	Management of a crushed victim	Yes	12.4	Medications and fluids paediatric advanced life support	Yes
9.2	Medical		12.5	Management of specific arrhythmias in infants and children	Yes
9.2.1	Recognition & first aid management -Heart attack	Yes	12.6	Techniques in advanced paediatric care	Yes
9.2.2	Stroke	Yes	12.7	Management after resuscitation in paediatric BLS	Yes
9.2.3	Shock	Yes	Section 13		
9.2.4	First aid management of a seizure	Yes	13.1	Introduction to resuscitation for the newborn	Yes
9.2.5	First aid for asthma	Yes	13.2	Identification of the newborn at risk	Yes
9.2.7	Anaphylaxis first aid management	Yes	13.3	Assessment of the newborn	Yes
9.2.8	First aid management for hyperventilation	Yes	13.4	Airway management of the newborn	Yes
9.3	Environment		13.5	Tracheal intubation & ventilation of the newborn	Yes
9.3.2	Resuscitation of drowning victim	Yes	13.6	Chest compressions during resuscitation of the newborn	Yes
9.3.3	Hypothermia first aid management	Yes	13.7	Medications or fluids for resuscitation of newborn	Yes
9.3.4	Heat induced illness, hyperthermia	Yes	13.8	Resuscitation of newborn in special circumstances	Yes
9.3.5	Resuscitation of divers who have used compressed gas	Yes	13.9	After the resuscitation of the newborn infant	Yes
9.3.6	Cold injury	Yes	13.10	Ethical issues in resuscitation of the newborn infant	Yes
9.4	Envenomation		Section 14		
9.4.3	Envenomation from tic bites, bees, wasp, & ant bites	Yes	14	Acute coronary syndromes – Overview and summary	Yes
9.5	Poisoning		14.1	Acute coronary syndromes – presentation with ACS	Yes
9.5.1	Emergency management of a victim who has been poisoned	yes	14.2	Acute coronary syndromes initial medical therapy	Yes
Section 10 Education and Implementation			14.3	Acute coronary syndromes reperfusion strategy	Yes
10.1	BLS Training	Yes			
10.3	Cross infection risks and manikin disinfection	Yes			
10.4	Use of oxygen in emergencies	Yes			
10.5	Legal and ethical issues related to resuscitation	Yes			

Kindly prepared by Board Member, Ann Gill

Member Q & A — what was the result of the new engagement standard update due in November 2015

In late August 2015 when NZQA became aware that the new review engagement standard, ISRE (NZ) 2400, had raised some questions for a small number of private training establishments (PTEs) that were seeking the services of a chartered accountant to complete their Chartered Accountant Professional Attestation (CAPA).

Since then, NZQA has considered the impact of the new review engagement standard on the CAPA and NZQA's financial viability monitoring responsibilities.

Outcome

The outcome is that the annual requirement for PTEs to have their financial statements reviewed by an independent chartered accountant under the new standard, ISRE (NZ) 2400, will continue.

The only change to the status quo is that use of NZQA's customised CAPA form will be discontinued.

Instead, the independent Chartered Accountant will prepare their review report in accordance with ISRE (NZ) 2400. (Illustrative examples are given in Appendix 2 of ISRE (NZ) 2400).

NZQA will continue to accept an auditor's report where the PTE chooses to have its financial statements audited rather than reviewed.

In summary, either of the following options, undertaken by an independent chartered accountant, will meet NZQA's monitoring requirements for PTEs:

Type of engagement	Document to be submitted to NZQA
Review	Independent Assurance Practitioner's Review Report
Audit	Independent Auditor's Report

This took effect immediately (with some PTEs being granted an extension).

PTEs with a financial year-end of 31 August 2015 or later will be expected to submit their Independent Assurance Practitioner's Review Report within the usual timeframe (i.e. within five months of their financial year end).

More information about NZQA's considerations

It was found that there does not seem to have been widespread increases in the cost of review engagements conducted under the new review engagement standard when compared to the one it superseded. It is possible that some PTEs may experience a cost increase, but it is anticipated that in most cases this will not be material. Any increased cost would reflect that a review is more thorough under the new review engagement standard, and therefore provides added value to the PTE.

NZQA considers that the current process allows it to effectively meet its responsibility to monitor ongoing viability of PTEs while keeping compliance costs for PTEs to a minimum. The strengthened requirements of the new review engagement standard means that the reports provided to NZQA will assist NZQA to effectively discharge its responsibility of monitoring the ongoing financial viability of PTEs as required under the Education Act 1989 and applicable rules.

The Independent Assurance Practitioner's Review Report prepared by an independent chartered accountant will enable NZQA to determine whether a PTE's financial statements have been appropriately prepared, and may also give an indication of the PTE's ongoing financial viability and solvency.

MM EQA Update —Late last year the Te Hono o Te Kahurangi Advisory Group commenced consultation about proposed changes to the Mātauranga Māori Evaluative Quality Assurance Approach (MM EQA) —this is now available.

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