

APPLY NUTRITION IN EMERGENCY

UNIT CODE MED/OS/NUD/CR/01/5/A

UNIT DESCRIPTION

This unit specifies the competencies required to apply nutrition in emergency. It involves conducting rapid assessment on the nutrition situation, selecting food and nutrition emergency responses and plan, providing nutrition and health interventions and monitoring implementation of intervention. It also includes documenting nutritional intervention during emergencies and demonstrating knowledge on food and nutrition security in emergencies.

ELEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

ELEMENT These describe the key outcomes which make up workplace function .	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA These are assessable statements which specify the required level of performance for each of the elements. <i>Bold and italicized terms are elaborated in the range.</i>
1. Conduct rapid assessment on the nutrition situation in emergency	1.1 Anthropometric assessment is carried out as per work place procedures 1.2 Physical and clinical assessment is carried out as per work place procedures 1.3 Nutrition condition is documented as per work place procedures
2. Select food and nutrition emergency responses and plan	2.1 Nutrition status is determined as per client nutrition history 2.2 Therapeutic feeding program is designed as per type of feeding 2.3 Health status of clients are determined as per work place procedures
3. Provide nutrition and health interventions	3.1 Nutrition health education as per patient nutrition needs 3.2 Provision of therapeutic feeds as per work place procedures 3.3 Medical/nutrition underlying causes are checked as per patient nutrition needs
4. Monitor implementation of interventions	4.1 Outcomes of nutrition related diet history are evaluated as per client nutrition needs 4.2 <i>Anthropometric measurement</i> outcomes are addressed as per clients requirement 4.3 Physical and clinical outcomes are evaluated as per nutrition diagnosis 4.4 Outcome of therapeutic feeds is assessed as per work place procedures

5. Document nutritional intervention during emergencies	5.1 MOH registers are obtained as per work place procedures 5.2 WFP registers are obtained as per work place procedures
6. Demonstrate knowledge on food and nutrition security in emergency	6.1 Terminologies in food and nutrition security in emergency are described as per relevant resource materials 6.2 Assessment of food and nutrition security in emergency is done as per relevant resource materials as well as MOH, FAO, WHO and <i>SPHERE</i> guidelines 6.3 Components/pillars of food and nutrition security are described as per MOH, FAO, WHO and <i>SPHERE</i> guidelines 6.4 Food and nutrition security policies are discussed relevant resource materials as well as MOH, FAO, WHO and <i>SPHERE</i> guidelines 6.5 Mitigation of food and nutrition insecurity in emergencies is discussed as per MOH, FAO, WHO and <i>SPHERE</i> guidelines 6.6 Food and nutrition surveillance systems in emergency are discussed as per MOH, FAO, WHO and <i>SPHERE</i> guidelines

RANGE

This section provides work environments and conditions to which the performance criteria apply. It allows for different work environment and situations that will affect performance.

Variable	Range
1. Anthropometric measurement may include but are not limited to:	1.1 Weighing scales 1.2 Measuring tapes 1.3 Charts 1.4 Height board

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING

The individual needs to demonstrate knowledge of:

Knowledge

- Anatomy and physiology
- WHO guidelines
- WFP guidelines
- Macro and micro nutrients

Skills

The individual needs to demonstrate the following skills:

- ICT
- Communication
- Information technology
- Analysis
- Synthesis and evaluation
- Decision making
- Management
- Leadership

EVIDENCE GUIDE

This provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the performance criteria, required skills and knowledge and range.

1. Critical Aspects of Competency	Assessment requires evidence that the candidate: Demonstrates; 1. 1Ability to conduct rapid assessment on the nutrition situation 1. 2Ability to select food and nutrition emergency responses and plan 1. 3Ability to provide nutrition and health interventions 1. 4Ability to monitor implementation of interventions 1. 5Ability to document nutritional intervention during emergencies
2. Resource Implications	The following resources must be provided: 2.1 Human laboratory
3. Methods of Assessment	Competency may be accessed through: 3.1 Written tests 3.2 Oral questioning

	<p>3.3 Third party reports</p> <p>3.4 Case studies</p>
4. Context of Assessment	<p>Competency may be assessed:</p> <p>4.1 On the job</p> <p>4.2 Off the job</p> <p>4.3 In work placement (attachment)</p> <p>Off the job assessment must be undertaken in a closely simulated workplace environment</p>
5. Guidance information for assessment	<p>Holistic assessment with other units relevant to the industry subsector, workplace and job roles is recommended.</p>

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