



Australian College of Care Workers

Renewal of Registration for Members of ACCW

Care Workers Annual Renewal of Registration

(links provided below)

Purpose

To enable ACCW Care Workers to remain in the Workforce to provide quality Care through contemporary care practice that prevents risk and harm to the individual. Renewal of Registration is for all Care Workers working in aged care, mental health, disability, community and other care-related facilities in the Metropolitan and Regional Areas of Australia. It allows for quick access to Providers of the Care Services to ACCW Care Workers that have renewed their 'Licence to Care Practice' to access workers to work in their services and care facilities across Australia.

Meet the Fit and Proper Person Criteria

To continue to protect and build public confidence, it is a requirement for all Care Workers to meet the following:

- fit and proper person requirement;
- current national police check;
- working with children check;
- current visa with work rights if applicable;
- registration requirements applicable for Care Workers of individual States and Territories.

Meet the Continuing Profession Development criteria.

There are several courses or units of competencies for Care Workers can choose to undertake as part of their annual registration to enable them to save care practice. The education essential skill sets and knowledge the industry requires. ACCW members choose these and other topics that will lead to further education to advance in a specific career pathway in the areas of Aged care, Mental health, Disability, Community and other care-related areas of practice.

Please refer to the ACCW link on suggested topics for Continuing Professional Development <https://www.careworkers.org.au/cpds/>

You may also refer to www.training.gov.au and choose RTOs, TAFEs, Universities and

Related Training Institutions that provide education in your areas of care practice across Metropolitan and Regional areas of Australia.

Continuing Professional Development may include undertaking an accredited course or unit of competency through a mixed-mode of learning that may include face-to-face, online, distance education, workshops, attending seminars, webinars, enquiry based learning and reflective practice, project-based learning, case-based and problem-based orientated learning through care activities and skills development.

Education and Training Organisations Sponsors Members will offer Programs at discount rates for ACCW members holding a current 'ACCW Licence to Care Practice'. It will enable our ACCW members to develop professional knowledge and skills to continue to provide care practice that is safe and free of risk and harm.

Guidelines for continuing professional development

1. Maintain appropriate qualification related to your scope of practice;
<https://www.careworkers.org.au/approved-programs/>
2. Undertake suggested continuing professional development for your scope of practice;
<https://www.careworkers.org.au/cpds/>
3. Must have at least 15-20 hours of CPDs per year and with evidence;
4. Evidence of having met the Australian College of Care Workers English language requirements;
5. Evidence of updated knowledge and skills on medication management related to care workers and enrolled nurse;
6. Annual update of necessary life support First Aid, Manual Handling, and Infection Control.
7. Continue to abide by the ACCW Code of Conduct
<https://www.careworkers.org.au/code-of-conduct/>

Effective: August 2019