

## CHC53315 Diploma Mental Health (CRICOS Course Code : 114062E)

### Qualification Description

This qualification reflects the role of workers who provide services to clients in relation to mental health issues. They can provide counselling, referral, advocacy and education and health promotion services. These workers are required to have high level specialist knowledge, skills and competencies especially in regard to laws affecting people with mental health issues, the range of services available to them and health issues related to mental health.

To achieve this qualification, the candidate must have completed at least 160 hours of work as detailed in the Assessment Requirements of units of competency.

### Career pathways may include, but are not limited to:

- Mental Health Worker
- Case Manager
- Mental Health Counsellor
- Community Rehabilitation and Support Worker
- Alcohol and Other Drugs Worker
- Mental Health Outreach Worker
- Wellbeing Consultant
- Rehabilitation worker
- Mental Health Team leader
- Mental Health Educator
- Mental Health Advocate
- Mental Health Researcher

### Employment pathways from the Qualification

Graduates of the *CHC53315 Diploma of Mental Health* are most often employed as:

- 58.9% Community and Personal Services Workers.
- 16.9% Professionals.
- 9.7% Clerical and Administrative Workers.

72.1% graduates of this course are most often employed in the Health Care and Social Assistance industry area.

Source: <https://www.myskills.gov.au/courses/details?Code=CHC53315> (accessed 28/03/2023)

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this qualification at the time of publication.

### Course Entry Requirements

Whilst there are no entry requirements specified in the training package, the RTO requires prospective learners to meet the following course entry criteria:

- Applicants must be minimum 18 years of age at the time of commencement
- Applicants must demonstrate that they have attained at least ACSF level 3 by successful completion of Australian Year 12 qualification, or equivalent
- Have obtained an IELTS band score of at least 6.0 - or equivalent; or 5.5 where the test score is combined with at least 10 weeks ELICOS or 5.0 where the test score is combined with at least 20 weeks ELICOS; or, Reference - (Subclass 500 Student visa ([homeaffairs.gov.au](http://homeaffairs.gov.au)))
- Have completed a Certificate III, IV, Diploma or Advanced Diploma level Qualification in Australia; or,
- Have completed Certificate III or Certificate IV in ESL or EAL from the ESL/EAL or,
- Have completed the ELICOS Course: General English – Intermediate Level.

Alternatively, students may demonstrate the required ACSF and LLN levels by undertaking Howland Academy of Australia's ASCF LLN assessments.

Students who have completed the *CHC43315 Certificate IV in Mental Health* will have met the course entry requirements, as long as they are at least 18 years old at time of enrolment.

### Resources & Facilities

In addition, Howland Academy of Australia requires that the learners:

- have a Children Check and/or Police Check (In Australia) prior to the work placement if request by the host employer(s);
- must be able to work with various types of clients such as different age group from 18 years and above, different religious believes, different nationalities.
- should have basic computer skills including using MS Office software or other spreadsheet, and word processing software; and,
- have a personal computer, laptop, tablet or any device, with access to MS Office application packages (At least MS Excel, MS Word and MS Power Point).



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## Course Duration and Fees

Full-time (20 hours per week) 104 Weeks, which includes 72 weeks of scheduled classes, 8 weeks work placement and 24 weeks for breaks.

Howland Academy of Australia Pathways students who have completed the *CHC43315 Certificate IV in Mental Health* will complete the course over 64 weeks, which include 42 weeks of scheduled classes, 8 weeks industry placement, and 14 weeks for breaks.

**Enrolment Application Fee:** \$AUD250.00 (non-refundable)

**Overseas Student Tuition Fee:** \$AUD20,000.00 (\$AUD12,000.00 for Howland Academy of Australia Pathways students)

**Materials Fee:** \$AUD1,000.00

## Sample Course Structure\*

Total number of units: 20 Units, 15 Core and 5 Electives

Unit of Competency
<b>Core Units</b>
CHCADV005 Provide systems advocacy services
CHCDIV001 Work with diverse people
CHCDIV002 Promote Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety
CHCMHS002 Establish self-directed recovery relationships
CHCMHS003 Provide recovery oriented mental health services
CHCMHS004 Work collaboratively with the care network and other services
CHCMHS005 Provide services to people with co-existing mental health and alcohol and other drugs issues
CHCMHS009 Provide early intervention, health prevention and promotion programs
CHCMHS010 Implement recovery oriented approaches to complexity
CHCMHS011 Assess and promote social, emotional and physical wellbeing
CHCMHS012 Provide support to develop wellness plans and advanced directives
CHCMHS013 Implement trauma informed care
CHCPOL003 Research and apply evidence to practice
CHCPRP003 Reflect on and improve own professional practice
HLTWHS004 Manage work health and safety
<b>Electives</b>
CHCAOD004 Assess needs of clients with alcohol and other drugs issues
CHCDFV001 Recognise and respond appropriately to domestic and family violence
CHCCCS003 Increase the safety of individuals at risk of suicide
CHCPRP001 Develop and maintain networks and collaborative partnerships
CHCCCS017 Provide loss and grief support

\* Please refer to Howland Academy of Australia website for latest version of course structure

## Work Placement

Work placement is a requirement for this course. students will be offered the opportunity to undertake one or more placements in industry during their course. A placement will enable students to apply their knowledge and skills in a real work setting. Student will develop skills and competencies related to the below units-

- CHCMHS002** *Establish self-directed recovery relationships*
- CHCMHS003** *Provide recovery oriented mental health services*
- CHCMHS004** *Work collaboratively with the care network and other services*
- CHCMHS010** *Implement recovery oriented approaches to complexity*

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## Training and Employment Pathways

Students are provided with advice on employment and training options throughout the delivery of the program (but no guarantees are implied or given).

## Pathways from the qualification

After achieving *CHC53315 Diploma of Mental Health*, graduates could progress to the *CHC62015 Advanced Diploma of Community Sector Management*.

## Enrolment Applications

Please contact our administration office for an Enrolment Application Form [info@howlandacademy.edu.au](mailto:info@howlandacademy.edu.au)

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