

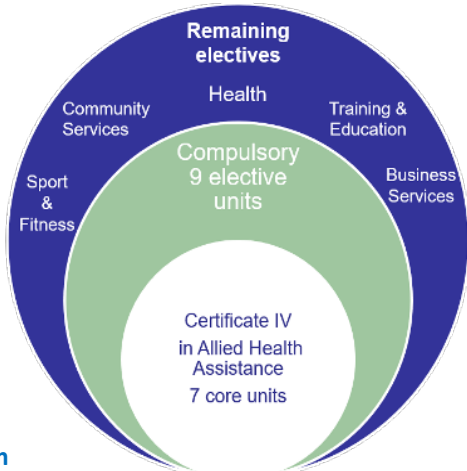
# Beyond the Core and Electives of Certificate IV in Allied Health Assistance

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## Background

The Certificate IV in Allied Health Assistance (Cert. IV AHA) is recognised as the qualification best suited to the role of Allied Health Assistants (AHAs). Traditionally 7 core & 9 elective units are studied. There remains 80 electives within the streams of Health, Community Services, Training and Education, Business Services Training and Sport & Recreation to be explored.



## Aim

- To promote professional development opportunities for AHAs through highlighting the 80 remaining electives of Cert. IV AHA for professional development.

## Examples of electives



### Health (HLT) stream examples

- Assist with application & removal of casts HLTAHA002
- Assess hearing HTLAUD001
- Support the Medical Imaging Professional HLTAHA026



### Community Services (CHC) stream examples

- Work effectively in the leisure & health industries CHCAH002
- Work with forced migrants CHCSET001




### Training and Education (TAE) stream examples

- Provide work skill instruction TAEDEL301A
- Plan, organize and facilitate learning in the workplace TAEDEL402A



### Business Services Training (BSB) stream examples

- Lead effective workplace relationships BSBLDR402
- Plan and monitor continuous improvement BSBMGT406



### Sport & Recreation (SIS) stream examples

- Instruct water familiarisation, buoyancy and mobility skills (SISCAQU008)
- Incorporate exercise science principles (SISFFIT019)

## Results

- To upskill or change career direction, choose a unit from Cert IV AHA; e.g., Health stream (HLTAHA026) Support the Medical Imaging Professional. Study online or face to face through a Registered Training Organisation (RTO).
- Once competent, RTO will issue *Certificate of Attainment in Support the Medical Imaging professional*.
- For up-to-date information on costs and subsidies [Myskills.gov.au](http://Myskills.gov.au)

## Conclusion

- Ongoing professional development is important to AHAs in order to maintain and enhance their skills and knowledge.
- By accessing units from the Certificate IV AHA the assistants continue professional development, optimise performance & enhance patient care.

## Future directions

- Raise awareness of vocational and educational and learning & development opportunities available to Allied Health Assistants
- To promote personal growth and professional development. **Contact : Allison Hearsom**  
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