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Communicate using augmentative and alternative communication strategies

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# Trainer/assessor guide

## CHCDIS004

# Communicate using augmentative and alternative communication strategies

### Welcome to this unit of study

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to communicate with people who have complex communication needs through effective use of Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) strategies and systems.

AAC refers to methods that replace or supplement speech to address the needs of people whose oral speech skills limit their ability to meet their participation and communication needs.

AAC systems comprise communication aids, symbols, strategies, and techniques and methods that may be aided or unaided.

This unit applies to disability support work in a variety of contexts. Work performed requires a range of well developed, person-centred skills where some discretion and judgement is required and workers will take responsibility for their own outputs.

It may be undertaken as:

- » part of a formal qualification nationally recognised through the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF)
- » a stand alone unit
- » part of a formal skill set

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# About this trainer/assessor guide

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## Learning resource

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The learning resource is divided into the following topics:

- » Identify the current communication capacity and needs of the person
- » Develop effective AAC strategies
- » Implement AAC strategy
- » Monitor, report and review communication strategies

Each topic provides information to help you gain the skills and knowledge required to perform the work tasks to which they refer. Read the information and practise the skills described. You should also take the opportunity to undertake additional independent research. Your trainer/assessor may also provide supplementary information including interpretation of the contents of this resource.

At the end of each topic is:

- » a set of true or false questions
- » a set of multiple choice questions

These questions provide an opportunity to check your understanding and progress. They are self-marking and do not form part of the assessment for the unit.

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## Assessment workbook

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To have this unit recognised as a formal qualification you need to have your skills and knowledge assessed. The assessment workbook provides:

- » information on competency-based assessment
- » instructions on how you will be assessed
- » assessment tools to assess your competence
- » instructions on how to complete the assessment tasks within each assessment tool

To be assessed as competent you need to provide evidence that you have the skills and knowledge to undertake the requirements of this unit. This assessment of competency is made by a qualified trainer/assessor from a registered training organisation. You must complete all the assessments as directed by your trainer/assessor to the required standard. It is not necessary to work through the guide in the order in which it is written. However this is at the discretion of your trainer/assessor.

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