



## 10642NAT Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral Care or Spiritual Care

### Course Overview

The Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral Care or Spiritual Care is ideal for gaining the necessary skills for a profession in the aged care industry as a Pastoral or Spiritual Care Manager. The responsibilities of Pastoral or Spiritual Care Managers are diverse in nature but generally include duties such as the implementation of pastoral or spiritual care programs, the evaluation and assessment of client needs and coordinating referral processes.

### Course Description

The Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral or Spiritual Care has been developed by Holy Family services RTO to meet the needs of older persons requiring pastoral, spiritual or emotional support. This course provides learners with the necessary skills and knowledge to manage a pastoral care team within an aged care facility or home environment.

### Course Structure

10642NAT Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral Care or Spiritual Care is an accredited course that consists of fifteen (15) core units comprising 13 units of competency from the CHC Training Package and 2 locally developed enterprise units. There are 5 blocks of study in this qualification

Unit of Competency	CHC Unit	Enterprise Unit
<b>Block 1 Pastoral or spiritual care skills development for older people</b>		
CHCCSL001 Establish and confirm counselling relationship	X	
CHCCSL002 Apply specialist interpersonal and counselling interview skills	X	
CHCCSL003 Facilitate the counselling relationship and process	X	
<b>Block 2 Manage pastoral care or spiritual care planning for older people</b>		
APSPSC501 Develop, implement and evaluate a pastoral or spiritual care plan for older persons		X
CHCPAS001 Plan for the provision of pastoral and spiritual care	X	
CHCDIV001 Work with diverse people	X	
<b>Block 3 Pastoral or spiritual care and dementia</b>		
CHCCCS025 Support relationships with carers and families	X	
CHCAGE005 Provide support to people living with dementia	X	
<b>Block 4 Pastoral or spiritual care in a palliative setting</b>		
CHCCCS017 Provide loss and grief support	X	
CHCPRP003 Reflect and improve on own professional practice	X	
CHCPAL002 Plan for an provide care services using a palliative approach	X	
<b>Block 5 Pastoral care management</b>		
APSMSP502 Manage services and processes to offer best practice pastoral or spiritual care to older persons		X
CHCVOL003 Recruit, induct and support volunteers	X	
CHCCS007 Develop and implement service programs	X	
CHCLEG003 Manage legal and ethical compliance	X	

## **Entry requirements**

There are no stated entry requirements for 10642NAT Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral Care or Spiritual Care. Where a student has no previous Australian qualification, the Holy Family Services RTO Language, Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) Assessment will be required to be completed prior to acceptance into the course. In the event a student has any AQF qualification at the Certificate III level in any discipline, the student will be exempt from the LLN assessment and will be provided with acceptance into the course.

## **Selection Criteria and Legislative Requirements**

Students must meet the above entry requirements and meet the following selection criteria and legislative requirements:

- Willingness to complete a Police Check Record prior to work placement
- Must be over the age of 18 years
- Talk with a course facilitator to check suitability prior to enrolment

## **Client Group**

The client course has been identified by industry as being suitable to undertake this qualification:

- Employees in aged care or home care (nurses, carers)
- Volunteers in aged care or pastoral care wanting to consolidate their skills
- Individuals changing careers

## **Mode of Study**

Students study an integrated flexible mode of delivery including:

- Self-paced online learning
- Scheduled face to face trainer mentoring/workshop sessions
- Mandatory work placement

## **Course Delivery and Assessment**

The units will be offered online through our Learner Management System (LMS) where all students can access course materials. Students must participate in interactive webinars through zoom or classroom and simulated workplace assessments.

Assessment requirements are outlined at the beginning of each block. An assessment booklet is provided in electronic copy (online). Each block assessment tasks will be required to be completed prior to the commencement of the next block. Most assessments can be submitted online however, simulated and workplace assessment will form part of the overall course requirements

## **Student Resources**

As this course is delivered online students will require the following resources to complete this course:

- Desktop or laptop computer
- Internet connection

## **Delivery Locations**

This integrated flexible mode course is delivered as follows:

Online:

- Any location in NSW

Scheduled face to face trainer mentoring/workshop sessions:

- Holy Family Services RTO training room (Sydney only), or
- Online Zoom sessions with the trainer (Outside Sydney), or
- Workplace facilities for existing workers (conditions apply)

Mandatory work placement:

- Holy Family Services aged care facilities, or
- Approved aged care facilities, or
- Home care organisation

## **Mandatory Work Placement**

As a core component of this course, students will be required to complete 100 hours (25 hours per block 1 – 4) within an aged care facility or home care organisation. Students will be required to be supervised in the workplace by supervisors with the relevant qualifications and experience within a position at the same or higher level than the students and must either hold the relevant skills or have extensive experience. All supervisors responsible for supervising students within the workplace, must have the relevant qualifications and experience in pastoral or spiritual care.

## **Duration**

The duration for 10642NAT Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral or Spiritual Care is 18 months but may vary based on:

- Student/existing worker available release time
- Submission of evidence for credit transfer or RPL
- Flexible assessment submission that supports work and life balance

The maximum period within which a student is permitted to complete the Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral or Spiritual Care is 2 years and the minimum timeframe is 12 months. Where a shorter duration has been achieved, evidence of competency in all units of competency must be demonstrated and maintained in the student file.

## **Employment Outcomes**

Graduates can work as a Pastoral or Spiritual Care Manager

## **Pathways**

1064NAT Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral or Spiritual Care contains 13 Community Service units at a Diploma level. Completion of these units allows pathways into other community services qualifications as a direct credit transfer or as RPL evidence.

Holy Family Services has a written agreement with the University of Divinity (Melbourne) which allows pathways into their Diploma of Theology and Advanced Diploma of Theology and Ministry. 60 credit points towards the Diploma on Theology, 120 credit points towards the Advanced Diploma of Theology and Ministry.

**Exit Point/Award**

Students that successfully complete all 15 core units as stated in the Course Structure will be issued with 10642NAT Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral or Spiritual Care by Holy Family Services RTO. This qualification is recognized nationally under the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF).

Students that complete some but not all core units as stated in the Course Structure may be issued with a Statement of Attainment. It will identify only those core units that have been completed as part of the qualification and recognized nationally under the AQF.

**Intake Dates**

This is an ongoing online course, Please contact Holy Family Services RTO.

**Payment Options**

Total cost for the Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral and Spiritual Care is \$4290.00 which consists of \$4,200.00 for the course and \$90.00 non-refundable administration fee.

Payment plan available - \$840.00 per Block is payable two weeks prior to the beginning of each Block via Credit card or Direct Deposit

Course costs include the resources which are sent to students via email and are accessible through an online platform. Any printing requested by the student will be at an additional cost of 20 cents per page.