This program provides students with the knowledge and experience in relation to working in the health industry to provide assistance to health professionals.

**COURSE AIMS**
This program is designed for those students pursuing a career in the health industry in the future. The program includes basic training in medical terminology, first aid and health related care.

**CONTRIBUTION TO VCAL/VCE**

**VCAL:** One credit towards a VCAL learning program is awarded on successful completion of 90 nominal hours of accredited VET curriculum.

**VCE:** Students who complete this program may be eligible for recognition of two or more units at units 1 & 2 level and a units 3 & 4 sequence.

**ATAR:** From 2018, students wishing to receive an ATAR contribution for the Units 3 and 4 sequence must undertake scored assessment for the purposes of gaining a study score. This study score can contribute directly to the primary four or as a fifth or sixth study.

Where a student elects not to receive a study score for VCE VET Health Services Assistance, no contribution to the ATAR will be available.

*Please note: The student must already have English and three other fully scored VCE/VET subjects to create the primary four.*

**POTENTIAL OCCUPATIONS**

- Nursing Assistant
- Nursing Support Worker
- Operating Theatre Technician
- Patient Service Assistant (PSA)
- Ward Assistant
- Orderly

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS/INFORMATION**
Students must undertake 40 hours a year of compulsory Structured Workplace Learning (SWL) to be deemed competent in this program.

1st and 2nd year students have two full day practical sessions a term.

**OPPORTUNITIES**

Students are required to wear protective footwear and other protective items as required under OH&S legislation. More information will be provided at commencement of the program.

**POTENTIAL PATHWAYS**

- Certificate IV in Allied Health Assistance
- Certificate IV in Health Administration
- Certificate IV in Health Care
- Certificate IV in Disability
- Diploma of Nursing

**1ST YEAR UNITS OF COMPETENCY**

- CHCCOM005 Communicate and work in health or community services
- CHCDIV001 Work with diverse people
- HLTHINF001 Comply with infection prevention and control policies and procedures
- HLTHWH001 Participate in workplace health and safety
- BSBWOR301 Organise personal work priorities and development
- CHCCCS002 Assist with movement
- CHCCCS020 Respond effectively to behaviours of concern
- CHCCCS010 Maintain a high standard of service

**2ND YEAR UNITS OF COMPETENCY**

- BSBMED301 Interpret and apply medical terminology appropriately
- HLTAAP001 Recognise healthy body systems
- CHCCCS015 Provide individualised support
- CHCCCS026 Transport individuals
- BSBFLM312 Contribute to team effectiveness
- BSBINN301 Promote innovation in a team environment
- HLTAIM003 Provide first aid