

Unit 45: Contribute to the Discharge of Individuals to Carers

Level:	2
Unit type:	Optional
Credit value:	2
Guided learning hours:	11

Unit Aim

This unit develops the learner to assist in the discharge process when the decision has been taken by the practitioner. Knowledge of procedures and policies for discharging an individual is vital, as is maintaining confidentiality, sharing information, and effective communication.

Assessment requirements

This unit must be assessed in line with *Skills for Health Assessment Principles for Qualifications that Assess Occupational Competence* document. Detailed information can be found in *Annexe A* of the qualification specification. Evidence for skills within learning outcomes 2 and 3 must come from real work activities.

Learning outcomes The learner will:	Assessment criteria The learner can:
1 Understand the procedures for discharging individuals to a carer	1.1 Summarise the current legislation, national guidelines, policies, protocols and good practice guidelines which inform the discharge of an individual to a carer
	1.2 Explain the national/local policies with regard to sharing clinical records and information
	1.3 Explain the procedures for contacting carers to which the individual is being discharged
	1.4 Explain the procedures to follow when the receiving carer cannot accommodate the individual

Learning outcomes The learner will:	Assessment criteria The learner can:
2 Be able to prepare individuals for discharge	2.1 Inform the individual of the decisions made in relation to their discharge
	2.2 Explain discharge arrangements to the individual
	2.3 Communicate information in a way that is sensitive to the needs, personal beliefs and preferences of the individual and carer
	2.4 Check that the individual understands the arrangements that have been made
3 Be able to contribute to the discharge of individuals to carers	3.1 Explain the reasons for arranging transport or escorts for an individual
	3.2 Explain the procedures for arranging transport or escorts in line with local policy
	3.3 Make arrangements for transport or escort in line with local procedures
	3.4 Advise the receiving carer of the individual's discharge and communicate information in line with local procedures
	3.5 Ensure that discharge records are updated in line with local procedures and within own role and responsibilities
	3.6 Refer any problems or issues regarding discharge to an appropriate person
	3.7 Maintain confidentiality in accordance with national/local policies and procedures

Additional information about the unit

Exemplification of terms used in assessment criteria:

Individual refers to someone requiring care or support; it will usually mean the person or people supported by the learner.

Carer may include a family member, a residential or nursing care establishment, sheltered housing officer.

Preferences may be based on:

- Beliefs
- Values
- Culture
- Aspirations
- Wishes.

Policies and procedures may include other agreed ways of working as well as formal policies and procedures.