

🕒 ½ day

Assessment training

QC13 Capacity Assessment

This half day course builds clinicians skills in capacity assessment for the adult consumer. This includes consumers consent to mental health assessment, treatment options and general health care.

The course explores what constitutes capacity and informed consent under both the *Mental Health Act 2016* and the *Guardianship and Administration Act 2000* and the relevant tribunals responsible for reviewing consumers capacity in regard to these acts. Each act covers different matters or issues and the course develops the learners skills in distinguishing between mental health matters and non-mental health matters.

The course also explores substitute decision makers under the *Mental Health Act 2016* and the *Guardianship and Administration Act 2000*.

Learning is interactive, with hands on skill development including reviewing case studies/vignettes to assess for capacity, how to document capacity, and discussion and review of court decisions in regard to capacity.

Anticipated learning outcomes:

- define capacity to consent within the context of the *Mental Health Act 2016* and the *Guardianship and Administration Act 2000*
- describe the principles of capacity
- identify the process to assess and document capacity
- distinguish between matters of capacity assessed under the *Mental Health Act 2016* and matters of capacity assessed under the *Guardianship and Administration Act 2000*
- identify the decision maker under the *Mental Health Act 2016* and *Guardianship and Administration Act 2000*.

When to attend training

- **New clinicians:** As soon as practical when commencing clinical practice and prior to commencing any formal assessments.
- **Experienced clinicians:** Please refer to your local mandatory/requisite training requirements. It is however recommended to complete as a refresher approximately every two years when working with consumers of health services or mental health services.

Category: Subsidised

Aligned to

Mental Health Act 2016

Guardianship and Administration Act 2000

NSQHS Standards: 1, 2, 5, 6 & 8

Continuing professional Development



3.45 Hours
Active learning