

Specification of Competency Standards
for the Elderly Care Service Industry
Unit of Competency

Functional Area - Management

Title	Implement Guidelines on Environmental Safety (in Elderlies' home)
Code	106151L3
Range	This unit of competency is applicable to employees in the elderly care service industry who are responsible for managing home environment of elderlies. This competency involves the ability to make judgment. Employees are required to take measures to improve elderlies' home environment according to the assessment result of home environmental safety, in order to prevent home accidents.
Level	3
Credit	6 (For Reference Only)
Competency	<p>Performance Requirements</p> <p>1. Relevant knowledge on home environmental safety for elderlies</p> <p>Be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand areas of concerns regarding home environmental safety for elderlies, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kitchen ○ Washroom ○ Living room and corridor ○ Lighting system ○ Doors, windows and daily accessories • Understand the aims of home environmental improvement for elderlies, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fall prevention ○ Enhance self-care ability ○ Prevent home accidents. • Understand the home accidents common among elderlies and their causes, for example, fall, cut, bruise, burnt, and fire • Understand the safety measures of elderlies' home, for example, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sufficient lighting ○ Keep the passage clear and the floor dry ○ Use furniture that are of appropriate height ○ Put labels with large print on daily accessories <p>2. Implement guidelines on environmental safety (home environment)</p> <p>Be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take relevant home environmental safety measures according to the needs for improvement in elderlies' homes, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Remove obstacles and keep the passage clear ○ Install shower chair and shower board in the washroom to protect elderlies safety when taking shower ○ Install handrails in bath tub to ensure elderlies' safety ○ Improve lighting ○ Provide furniture of appropriate height. • Teach elderlies the relevant home environmental safety measures, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Use shower board correctly ○ Do not leave clutter in the passage ○ Always wear eyeglasses ○ Correctly use walking aids • Monitor the implementation of home environmental safety measures, report to supervisor, and document the details for follow-up actions

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify potential risks in elderlies' homes, handle them immediately, and teach elderlies to improve the situation and prevent recurrence of such risks, and report to supervisors • Handle the case immediately if elderlies have accidents and are injured at home, for example, performing first-aid, managing the injury, and arranging transportation to hospital <p>3. Exhibit professionalism</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the importance of home environmental safety for elderlies, and implement home environmental safety measures for them • Be attentive and patient when teaching elderlies to take measures to ensure home environmental safety
Assessment Criteria	<p>The integrated outcome requirements of this Unit of Competency are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to implement relevant home environmental improvement measures according to its improvement needs; prevent home accidents; and • Ability to teach elderlies to take relevant home environmental safety measures, monitor their implementation and evaluate their effectiveness.
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