

National Diploma in Hearing Therapy

Level 5

Credits 121

This qualification has been **reviewed**. The last date to meet the requirements is 31 December 2019.

This qualification was republished in March 2017 to extend the last date for entry into programmes leading to the qualification from 31 December 2016 to 31 December 2017.

Transition Arrangements

This qualification has been reviewed and replaced by New Zealand Diploma in Hearing Therapy (Level 6) [Ref: 2859].

People currently working towards the replaced qualification can either complete the requirements by 31 December 2019 or undertake a credit recognition process to have their achievements recognised in an approved programme leading to the replacement qualification.

The last date for entry into programmes leading to the replaced qualification will be 31 December 2017. The last date for award of the replaced qualification is 31 December 2019.

It is anticipated that no existing candidates will be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. However, anyone who feels that they have been disadvantaged may appeal to Careerforce at the address below. Appeals will be considered on a case by case basis.

For detailed information see [Review Summaries](#) on the NZQA website.

NQF Registration Information

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	March 2003	December 2010
Review	2	December 2008	December 2019
Review	3	May 2015	December 2019
Republication	3	March 2017	December 2019

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Purpose

This qualification is designed for people who wish to work in the field of adult aural rehabilitation.

Hearing Therapists work in a range of community and clinical settings. Usually people entering this field will have a tertiary qualification and experience in the health, education and or social services sectors. Alternatively people will need to demonstrate maturity and a good level of general education, and may have relevant experience and recognised skills in working with the elderly, people with hearing impairment, or people with other disabilities.

People awarded this qualification will be able to demonstrate an ability to integrate adult aural rehabilitation theory with practice. They will demonstrate particular understanding of the causes, effects, and medical management of hearing impairment; the application of technology to assist those with hearing impairment; the causes, effects, and management of tinnitus; knowledge of hearing conservation; knowledge of speech production and speech perception in relation to hearing therapy; the impact of hearing loss on a person's life; and hearing loss issues related to ageing.

They will demonstrate skill in developing, implementing, and evaluating rehabilitation plans for adults with hearing loss following assessment of the loss and of the person's communication needs. They will be able to engage in personal adjustment and informational counselling with an adult with a hearing impairment, and will be able to train them and their associated others in communication strategies.

Credit Range

Level 4 credits	12
Level 5 credits	69
Level 6 or above credits	40
Total	121

Requirements for Award of Qualification

Award of NQF Qualifications

Credit gained for a standard may be used only once to meet the requirements of this qualification.

Unit standards and achievement standards that are equivalent in outcome are mutually exclusive for the purpose of award. The table of mutually exclusive standards is provided in section 7 of the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) Rules and Procedures publications available at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/acrp/index.html>.

Reviewed standards that continue to recognise the same overall outcome are registered as new versions and retain their identification number (ID). Any version of a standard with the same ID may be used to meet qualification requirements that list the ID and/or that specify the past or current classification of the standard.

Summary of Requirements

- Compulsory standards

Detailed Requirements

Compulsory

The following standards are required

Community and Social Services > Community Support > Hearing Therapy

ID	Title	Level	Credit
18599	Demonstrate the function and application of hearing instruments and hearing aids	5	6
18600	Demonstrate the function and application of assistive devices for an adult with a hearing impairment	5	5
18601	Train adults with hearing impairment to maximise visual and auditory cues	6	10
18602	Teach an adult with a hearing impairment and associated others to use communication strategies	6	8
18603	Analyse the causes, effects, and management of tinnitus	5	7
18604	Demonstrate knowledge of hearing conservation	4	4
18605	Assess the needs of an adult with a hearing impairment and identify support services	5	6
18606	Carry out a hearing evaluation with an adult	5	8
18607	Develop, implement, and evaluate a rehabilitation plan for an adult with a hearing impairment	6	8
18608	Demonstrate an integration of hearing therapy theory with practice at an intermediate level	5	18
18609	Demonstrate an integration of hearing therapy theory with practice at an advanced level	6	14
18611	Explain and analyse speech production and speech perception in relation to hearing therapy	5	5

ID	Title	Level	Credit
18612	Explain and analyse the issues relating to hearing impairment in the older person	5	6
19308	Engage in personal adjustment and informational counselling with an adult with hearing impairment	4	5
23363	Demonstrate knowledge of the causes, effects, and the medical management of hearing impairment	5	8
23364	Interpret supplied diagnostic audiograms and tympanograms	4	3

Transition Arrangements

Version 2

Version 2 was issued following review.

Changes to structure and content

- The level was removed from the title.
- Special notes deleted.
- Credit total increased from 120 to 121.
- Subfield changed from *Human Services* to *Community Support*.
- Standard 18598 was replaced by standard 23363.
- Standard 23364 was added.
- Standard titles, levels, and credits were amended following review.

This qualification contains a standard that replace an earlier standard. For the purposes of this qualification, people who have gained credit for this standard are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the expiring standard – see exemption table below.

Version 2 Exemptions

Credit for	Exempt from
18598	23363

Candidates may choose to complete version 1 of this qualification by 31 December 2010 or transfer their results to version 2 of this qualification.

People who feel disadvantaged by the transition process should contact Community Support Services Industry Training Organisation Limited (see contact details below).

Certification

This certificate will display the logos of NZQA, the Community Support Services Industry Training Organisation Limited and the accredited organisation.

Classification

This qualification is classified according to the NQF classification system and the New Zealand Standard Classification of Education (NZSCED) system as specified below.

DAS Classification		NZSCED	
Code	Description	Code	Description
2069	Community and Social Services > Community Support > Hearing Therapy	090511	Society and Culture > Human Welfare Studies and Services > Community Client Care

Quality Management Systems

Providers and Industry Training Organisations must be accredited by a recognised Quality Assurance Body before they can register credits from assessment against standards. Accredited providers and Industry Training Organisations assessing against standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards. Accreditation requirements and the moderation system are outlined in the associated Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP) for each standard.

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