VETASSESS

Information sheet

Medical Technicians nec

ANZSCO: 311299 **Group E**

About this document

- The following Information Sheet is for your reference only and should be used as a guide to assist with your Skills Assessment application to VETASSESS. This information is subject to change.
- Please note that a Skills Assessment of the qualification involves assessment of both the qualification level and content. Qualifications are assessed according to the guidelines published by the Australian Government Department of Education.
- The employment assessment involves determining the skill level and relevance of the tasks undertaken.
- Integrity checks may be conducted to verify the qualification and employment claims made in an application.

Job description

Medical Technicians operate anaesthetic, cardiac, operating theatre and medical testing equipment, perform and assist with laboratory tests, and fill prescriptions in support of health professionals.

This occupation group covers Medical Technicians not elsewhere classified.

Occupations considered suitable under this ANZSCO code:

- Audiometrist
- Dialysis Technician
- Electroencephalographic Technician
- Mortuary Technician
- Ophthalmic Technician
- Respiratory Technician
- Orthotic and Prosthetic Technician
- Perfusionist
- Renal Technician
- Sleep Technician

Medical Technicians nec are a VETASSESS Group E Occupation

GROUP E	Criteria for a suitable Skills Assessment		
	Comparable Diploma AQF level	With highly relevant major field of study	Highly relevant employment duration
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Pre-qualification methodology does not apply to Group E occupations			

The information below describes the available pathways for a Skills Assessment under **Group E**. Please note that in order to achieve a suitable Skills Assessment Outcome, a suitable assessment for both qualifications and employment is required.

Pathway 1

This occupation requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the education level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Diploma or higher, and in a field highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

In addition to the above, it is essential for applicants to meet the following employment criteria:

- at least one year of post-qualification employment at an appropriate skill level, undertaken in the last five years,
- working 20 hours or more per week, and
- highly relevant to the nominated occupation.

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Some occupations assessed by VETASSESS are listed as 'nec' which means 'not elsewhere classified'. If you are nominating one of these occupations, you must ensure that your qualifications and employment are highly relevant to one of the occupation titles given in the ANZSCO description for the particular occupation. Other specific occupation titles which cannot be found elsewhere in ANZSCO will be considered on a case by-case basis as long as they are relevant to the 'nec' codes. In order to be assessed against an 'nec' code, your occupation would generally be described as non-classified, yet specialised or related to its ANZSCO Unit Group description.

Your employment in these nominated occupations should not better match another ANZSCO code (whether assessed by VETASSESS or not). When considering whether to nominate an 'nec' occupation, you should consider the sub major group description and determine whether your skills best fit this category.

VETASSESS conducts a case-by-case assessment to determine whether the employment can be considered highly relevant to the classification.

If your employment is highly relevant to another ANZSCO occupation, that period of employment cannot be assessed suitably against an 'nec' classification, regardless of whether the occupation is available for migration purposes or not. You should provide a cover letter that justifies the rationale for choosing an 'nec' category

Qualification

Minimum qualifications required Diploma Level or above.

Highly relevant major fields of study include:

General Medical and surgical degrees would be considered highly relevant.

- Audiometrist
- Audiometry
- Speech and Hearing Sciences
- Hearing Device Prescription and Evaluation (Diploma level)

Dialysis Technician
- Dialysis Technology
- Nursing (with Dialysis content)

Electroencephalographic Technician
- Neurophysiology
- Electroneurodiagnostic Technology

Mortuary Technician
- Funeral Science
- Mortuary Theatre Practices
- Mortuary Science
- Biomedical Sciences (Anatomy)

Orthotic and Prosthetic Technician
- Clinical Prosthetics and Orthotics

Neurophysiological Technician

- Clinical Neurophysiology
- Neurophysiology Technology

Perfusionist
- Perfusion
- Applied Science (Perfusion)

Renal Technician
- Dialysis Technology

Sleep Technician

- Sleep Science

Employment Criteria

Employment will be assessed on its individual merit based on the specialisation and field of work.

One year of employment in a field which is highly relevant and at an appropriate skill level to the nominated occupation is required.

Highly relevant tasks include:

- Taking, collecting and labelling blood, urine and other samples from patients
- Preparing and staining slides and tissue sections for blood and histological examination
- Performing diagnostic tests on tissues and body fluids and analysing the chemical constituents of blood, urine, faeces and tissues
- Testing for diseases by looking for the presence of antibodies and the products of immune response in samples
- Setting up, checking and maintaining operating theatres, anaesthetic workstations, life support machines and associated equipment
- Referring prescriptions to Pharmacists and assisting in preparing medications
- Operating and maintaining equipment used in diagnosing and monitoring of breathing or sleep disorders

Supporting material for assessment

When applying for a Skills Assessment, please ensure you submit sufficient evidence supporting your proof of identity, qualification and employment claims. A full list of the documents required can be found on the VETASSESS website under Eligibility Criteria.

Applicants applying for this occupation should provide a cover letter that justifies their rationale for choosing an nec category.