Residential Care Skill Set

COURSE CODE	RESCARESS1
LOCATIONS	Virtual
STUDY MODE	Online, Workshops
Length	Six months
Commencement	February, March, April, May, July, August, September, October
Timetable	Ten four-hour virtual classes in total (Thursday 9am - 1pm held fortnightly), plus structured guided online learning. Training is delivered over 20 weeks during school terms.

Course Overview

This section gives you an introduction to what you will be learning in this course, plus course outcomes, career opportunities, and student support.

Introduction

Are you currently working in the Child and Youth Residential Care sector and need to gain the minimum qualification required to continue working in the field? This skill set has been developed to support Victoria's minimum qualification requirements for residential care workers.

Designed for workers supporting young people in residential care settings, the program develops the specialist knowledge and skills needed to apply trauma-informed practice, support young people with complex trauma and attachment needs, respond effectively to behaviours of concern, and work safely and professionally within a residential care environment.

Through a focus on trauma-informed care, residential care practice, complex trauma, attachment, and behaviour support, this skill set helps build a consistent baseline of knowledge and capability across the residential care workforce.

What will I Learn?

Gain practical skills and knowledge to support children and young people in residential care settings. You will learn how to apply trauma-informed approaches, respond to behaviours of concern, support young people with complex trauma and attachment needs, and provide quality care in out-of-home care environments.

Information Session

Why don't you come along to our next course info session to find out everything you need to start your learning journey? You can chat with our teachers, tour our facilities, learn more about the course, find out about the application process and get your questions answered by our course experts.

Find the next info session near you

Course Requirements

This section gives you an overview of entry requirements, course units and electives, skills recognition, and assessment criteria.

Entrance requirements & pre-requisites

- You need to be working in the Residential Out-of-Home Care (OOHC) sector, supporting children and young people living in residential care settings to be eligible for this course.
- During the course you will be required to complete 100 hours of structured placement in a OOHC setting.

- You must also be aged over 18 years.

Units offered

Core Units

Unit Code	Unit Name	Unit Hours	Unit Consumables
CHCCCS009	Facilitate responsible behaviour	40	$0.00
CHCMHS007	Work effectively in trauma informed care	40	$0.00
CHCPRT034	Work with children and young people with complex trauma and attachment issues and needs	75	$0.00
CHCPRT033	Provide support to children and youth in out-of-home care	90	$0.00

Assessment

This course involves accredited units. You will be required to complete assessment tasks to demonstrate your underpinning knowledge, skills and attributes to meet the course outcomes. A combination of written, oral and practical assessment strategies will be used in either a classroom, online or workplace environment.

Where units require demonstration of skills in a workplace environment, you will have the opportunity to do this either in your own workplace (where appropriate), through a practical placement, or by using one of the Institute's simulated workshops/classrooms. Detailed information about the types, conduct and dates of assessments will be provided in advance. You will also be provided with information about the opportunity for reassessment and appeal.

Fees

This section gives you an overview of course fees, subsidies, and how they can be paid.

Course Fees

Here's an outline of fees and costs associated with your course.

Your fees each year can be made up of 3 different elements. Everyone has different circumstances that can affect what you pay and how much you pay. :

1. Tuition fees - charged as an hourly rate that varies from course to course. A large portion of the tuition is subsidised by the Victorian Government for eligible students.
2. Resource and/or materials costs - covers the cost of materials and other incidentals. This fee will vary according to the course being undertaken.
3. Booklist items - such as textbooks, equipment and stationery recommended for your course

Tuition fees

There are 4 different rates of tuition fees. Only one will apply to you (depending on your eligibility and circumstances).

1. **Government Subsidised Fee** - you could be eligible for a government-subsidised rate under the Skills First funding depending on your age, educational history, and citizenship or residency status. If you are eligible, the government will contribute to the cost of your training.
   Find out more about subsidised training

2. **Government Subsidised Concession Fee** - If you are eligible for a Skills First government-subsidised place and hold a current healthcare or pension card, that you can provide at enrolment, you may be eligible for the concession rate. Note, the concession rate is not applicable to Diploma level courses.
   Find out more about concession rates

3. **If the course is a Free TAFE course or part of the Free TAFE Pathways Program** - Eligible students will not pay course tuition fees for the duration of their enrolment in this course, however, there may be some consumable/material fees for the course (find out more below). Any resource or material costs, or booklist items for this course are listed in the table below.
   Find out more about Free TAFE
   Find out more about Free TAFE Pathways Programs

4. **Full fee** - If you are not eligible for a Skills First government-subsidised place, exemption, concession or are enrolling in a course that isn't government-subsidised, you may be required to pay the full fee rate.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT FEES AND ELIGIBILITY

The fees listed below are indicative only. The course fees published are subject to change given individual circumstances at enrolment. Course fee funding is made available to eligible individuals by the Victorian and Commonwealth Governments. If funding is utilised, this may affect opportunities to access additional funding in the future. An accurate quote for this course will be provided during the enrolment process.

Course fees by student type	Indicative Course Fee
Government subsidised rate (if eligible)	$0.00
Concession rate	$0.00
Full fee rate (if not eligible for govt subsidy)	$3,395.00

Additional course fees	Indicative Course Fee
Course consumable/materials (approximate)	$0.00

This is a Free TAFE course

Students who are eligible for Free TAFE place will not pay course tuition fees for the duration of their enrolment in this course, however, there may be some consumable/material fees for the course (find out more below). The consumable fees for this course are listed in the above table.

Find out more about Free TAFE courses and eligibility or contact our Customer Service team.

Resource and/or materials costs

Some courses require specific resources or materials necessary for your study eg: tools of the trade, excursions, etc. Final costs will be determined upon enrolment.

How do I pay my fees?

Once we have processed your enrolment form, you will receive an email with your invoice.

You have three options when organising your payment:

1. Upfront payment - can be made over the phone with EFTPOS
2. Payment plan - can be directly debited from your bank account or via a VET Student Loan (for diploma or advanced diploma courses only)
3. Paid by employer, school or job network agency - if your fees are being paid by your employer, school or job network agency, you will need to complete an Authority to Invoice form.

Payments will need to be arranged within five(5) business days of receiving the email containing your invoice.

We also offer a range of scholarships each year which you may be eligible to apply for to assist with course fees.

Next Steps

Ready to take the next step? Here you can make an enquiry, attend an information session or begin the application process.

How to apply

There are five simple steps to apply for a course with us.

1. **Apply** – Submit your online application form.
2. **LLN Assessment** – Complete an LLN assessment if required.
3. **Chat to our team** – Discuss your course and study plan with a teacher or specialist.
4. **Enrol** – Accept your offer and confirm your details.
5. **Pay** – Receive your invoice and arrange payment.

Need help? Contact us or visit your nearest campus.

Careers and Course Advice

Not sure which course is right for you? South West TAFE will help you find your way.

Our Careers Coaches at the Skills and Jobs Centre is here to support you. Whether you're exploring career options, transitioning from school to the workforce or looking to study after school we're here to help you.

Student Support

As a SWTAFE student, you can access a variety of support services that will enhance your study experience and help you complete your studies successfully. For more information about any of these services, visit our student page.