

Unit Title:	Undertake research on behalf of the service
OCR unit number:	Unit 16
Level:	6
Credit value:	6
Guided learning hours:	40

Unit purpose and aim

This unit aims to develop the learner's critical understanding of how to undertake and report on research undertaken on behalf of the career development service.

Learning Outcomes	Assessment Criteria
<p>The learner can:</p> <p>1. Understand the research requirements of the career development service and its clients</p>	<p>The learner will:</p> <p>1.1 critically analyse the research requirements of the service and its clients</p> <p>1.2 analyse the legislative and service policies governing research</p>
<p>2. Understand research methods used in career development services</p>	<p>2.1 critically evaluate research methods used in career development services</p> <p>2.2 analyse the service's research processes</p> <p>2.3 critically evaluate research dissemination and presentation methods used by career development services</p>
<p>3. Be able to agree research requirements</p>	<p>3.1 review previous research related to research requirements</p> <p>3.2 negotiate research objectives and evidence requirements with colleagues, stakeholders and clients</p> <p>3.3 agree research dissemination strategies aligned to organisation and client needs</p> <p>3.4 agree client involvement in the research process in accordance with the service procedures</p>
<p>4. Be able to source evidence and information to meet the needs of the service and its clients</p>	<p>4.1 identify the scope and characteristics of research evidence and information requirements</p>

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	4.2 review sources of evidence and information required to achieve research objectives 4.3 negotiate access to sources of evidence and information 4.4 collect evidence and information to meet research objectives
5. Be able to analyse research evidence and information	5.1 analyse research evidence and information 5.2 amalgamate research outcomes to draw conclusions 5.3 justify research findings 5.4 record the outcomes of research in accordance with service requirements
6. Be able to report on research outcomes to meet the needs of the service and its clients	6.1 present research findings to meet the requirements of the service and its clients 6.2 reference evidence and information in accordance with service protocols

Assessment

This unit is internally assessed and externally verified by OCR Assessors. Simulations are not allowed.

To achieve a Pass, learners must produce evidence which meets all the assessment criteria.

Evidence requirements

All evidence of a learner's performance must be generated in the workplace. Learners must produce their own work and assessors use a range of assessment methods. More information about suitable forms of evidence can be found in the OCR Level 6 Diploma in Career Guidance and Development Centre Handbook.

Guidance on assessment and evidence requirements

In order to provide appropriate evidence to meet the assessment criteria for this unit the following methods can be used:

- assignment/report
- product evidence
- professional discussion
- research report
- witness testimony.