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KEY TERMS*

Activities An area of work that encompasses groups of related tasks. Activities

are time-limited, trainable and, through the performance of tasks,

measurable (1).

Behaviours Observable conduct towards other people, or activities that express

a competency. Behaviours are durable, trainable and measurable (1).

Competencies The observable ability of a person, integrating knowledge, skills, values

and beliefs in their performance of tasks. Competencies are durable, trainable and, through the expression of behaviours, measurable (1).

Course The discrete units of study addressing specific subject areas. Courses

generally increase in the depth of subject matter as learners move through the programme (2). They may be weighted, often using the metric of "units" to indicate the degree to which they contribute to

programme completion.

Curriculum The educational activities and environments that are designed to

achieve specific learning objectives. A curriculum encompasses the content and objectives of learning; the learning experiences; teaching methods; and the formats of assessment. It also includes quality

improvement and programme evaluation (3).

Curriculum plan The organization of learning content within a curriculum. A curriculum

plan demonstrates how curriculum content is structured and sequenced to enable the progressive attainment of competence, and offers a more detailed description of the learning experiences that

students will be offered (2).

Learning Assessable units of learning which, in aggregate, reflect the attainment objectives of a behaviour or task. This guide distinguishes between programme

of a behaviour or task. This guide distinguishes between programme learning objectives, which capture the units of a behaviour or task, and course learning objectives, which capture the knowledge, skills and

attitudes related to the subject matter of the course.

Programme The totality of courses which provide a specific award or qualification

to the learner on successful completion.

Syllabus A description of the scope and depth of subject matter to be covered

in a course, as well as the specific learning experiences, materials and assessments that the course will entail, typically in greater detail than the curriculum plan. A syllabus communicates to learners what they

can expect from a course and what it will require of them.

Tasks Observable units of work as part of an activity, which draw on

knowledge, skills, attitudes and behaviours. Tasks are time-limited,

trainable and measurable (1).

^{*} Description of terms is specific to this guidance. Interpretation and use of terms vary between contexts.



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