## Manage the achievement of customer satisfaction



#### **Overview**

This unit covers a broad range of general, operational management responsibilities, all aimed at satisfying customers with the processes, products and/or services being delivered.

The term 'customer' includes internal and external customers of the organisation.

It reflects best practice within aspects of the PSG skills for operational delivery, and in particular to aspects of `Customer Service'.

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# Performance criteria

#### You must be able to:

- P1 ensure that colleagues are briefed on and understand the expectations of customers and their own roles and responsibilities in meeting these expectations, including any agreed standards of customer service
- P2 empower colleagues to deliver good customer service, including identifying and addressing their learning needs and providing other resources
- P3 ensure that clear and effective processes are in place to support customers and sort out their problems
- P4 ensure that the day to day behaviour of colleagues matches the organisation's customer focused values
- P5 develop a culture which nurtures, respects, values, recognises and rewards 'front line' colleagues who work with customers
- P6 establish and operate suitable processes for monitoring levels of customer satisfaction
- P7 make recommendations and propose plans to improve the level of customer satisfaction
- P8 demonstrate increasing levels of customer satisfaction with the organisation's products and/or services and processes

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# Knowledge and understanding

#### General knowledge and understanding

## You need to know and understand:

- K1 the difference between customer service and customer satisfaction
- K2 the factors that make customers satisfied
- K3 the importance of achieving customer satisfaction in a competitive environment or an environment where high levels of service are expected
- K4 best practice in customer service outside your own sector
- K5 types of customer survey and effective ways of collecting feedback
- K6 how to measure customer satisfaction
- K7 techniques and reward strategies for motivating staff
- K8 how information and communications technology can support customer service and customer satisfaction
- K9 sustainable process/systems design and management

#### Government specific knowledge and understanding

## You need to know and understand:

- K10 current and emerging trends that are likely to affect your products and/or services
- K11 developments in technology and how this will affect your work with
- K12 the legal and regulatory framework within which you work, including customer and consumer rights, relevant codes of practice and ethical codes

#### Context specific knowledge and understanding

# You need to know and understand:

- K13 your organisation's products and/or services
- K14 your organisation's customers
- K15 the overall vision, objectives and associated plans of your organisation and its values
- K16 the strengths and weaknesses of your products and services in terms of customer satisfaction
- K17 the customer satisfaction survey, feedback and measuring methods that are suitable for your organisation
- K18 the activities and services of your competitors or similar organisations and how this may affect your products, services and processes
- K19 which organisations you are compared with by your customers

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#### **Additional Information**

#### **Behaviours**

- 1 You constantly seek to improve performance
- 2 You recognise the achievements and the success of others
- You demonstrate a clear understanding of different customers and their real and perceived needs
- 4 You empower staff to solve customer problems within clear limits of authority
- 5 You take personal responsibility for resolving customer problems referred to you by other staff
- You recognise recurring problems and promote changes to structures, systems and processes to resolve these
- 7 You advocate customers' interests within your organisation
- 8 You articulate a vision that generates excitement, enthusiasm and commitment

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