



## Course in Ear Canal Micro Suction 10636NAT

**Course  
Information**



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## Course snapshot

COURSE TITLE	<b>10636NAT Course in Ear Canal Micro Suction</b>
COURSE SUMMARY	<p>The Course in Ear Canal Micro Suction is designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills to provide management strategies, recognise complications and risks associated with microsuction and identify referral pathways for specialist care in relation to a range of conditions associated with microsuction, based on detailed pre-requisite knowledge of the anatomy, physiology and pathophysiology of the auditory system.</p> <p>This program is part of the second level in The Benchmark Group's ear health learning pathway. Students must complete the Foundations of Ear Health Program prior to entry to this course.</p>
UNITS OF COMPETENCY	<b>EMSPMS001 Perform ear canal micro suction</b>
COST	<b>\$325 (Inc. GST)</b>
PRE-READING	It is recommended students review the Foundations of Ear Health Program Resource Book (located in the accessIQ resource library) prior to attendance at the workshop.
DELIVERY & ASSESSMENT	Half day face to face workshop, in-class activities assessed by a qualified assessor, workplace observed practice and online assessment completed via accessIQ.
ESTIMATED HOURS OF STUDY	<b>15 hours of active learning</b>
CPD HOURS	As a general guide, one hour of active learning equates to one hour of CPD. It is the responsibility of the individual student to calculate how many hours of active learning have been completed. The hours of active learning estimated above should act as a guide to CPD hours.
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS	To view entry requirements please refer to the next page.
HOW TO APPLY	To apply, click the 'apply now' button on the website which will take you to the learning pathway purchase page in accessIQ. From here you will be able to choose one or more (or all!) programs from the pathway to purchase.
TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND STUDENT HANDBOOK	<p><a href="#">View terms and conditions visit <u>benchmarkgroup.com.au/terms-and-conditions</u></a></p> <p><a href="#">View Student Handbook</a></p>

## Course outline

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Vocational outcomes include:

- Enhanced clinical practice
- Addition of skills to scope of practice
- Ear health assessment clinical skills.

Specialist skills:

- Point of care hearing assessment
- Otoscopy
- Wax removal by microsuction.

## Course outcome

On the successful completion of the program, students should have the skills and knowledge to:

- Assess and determine factors that affect ear and hearing health in relation to microsuction, assess the client's physical and pathophysiological auditory status and seek advice where appropriate
- Perform ear canal micro suctioning procedures when deemed appropriate and safe.

## Course content

The face-to-face workshop involves anatomy refresher, principles of microsuction and practical activities including condition recognition, ear health assessment, monocular otoscopy, digital video otoscopy, and microsuction techniques for wax removal.

Students work with peers in the classroom to conduct simulated examination as part of the practical skills activities.

All irrigation practice and assessments are performed on a mannequin, and the workshop focuses on wax removal using irrigation including the legal and consent issues involving ear irrigation.

## Course structure

To achieve competency students must demonstrate successful completion of:

- Written assessment covering essential knowledge and skills
- Realistic skills simulations and oral questioning in the classroom including 'What if and how to' scenarios
- Workplace observed practice.

Workplace observed practice is a mandatory requirement for this course, workplace practice must be observed by a medical practitioner, practice manager or practice nurse that performs the identified workplace tasks as part of their role.

All workplace activities must be completed in accordance with work health and safety.

## Course entry requirements

Entrants must provide evidence of a relevant professional role. Relevant roles would include:

- Registered Nurses
- Allied Health Professionals E.g. Audiologists
- General Practitioners.
- Other qualifications may apply, but would need to demonstrate relevant workplace capability.

Entrants should have:

- A minimum of six months' employment or experience working with clients in a clinical environment
- High language, literacy and numeracy levels. Sufficient to interpret medical documents/referrals/ requests and write medical notes and reports.

### Benchmark Group Specific Requirements

Students must hold the unit EHHPEH002 Promote, educate and manage ear health unit from the Foundations of Ear Health Program.

## Ear Health learning pathway

Learning pathways is a new approach where we are giving the control of your learning journey back to you, the student.

The underlying rationale recognises that students are better able to learn when they can control the flow of their experience, or when their learning is self-directed.

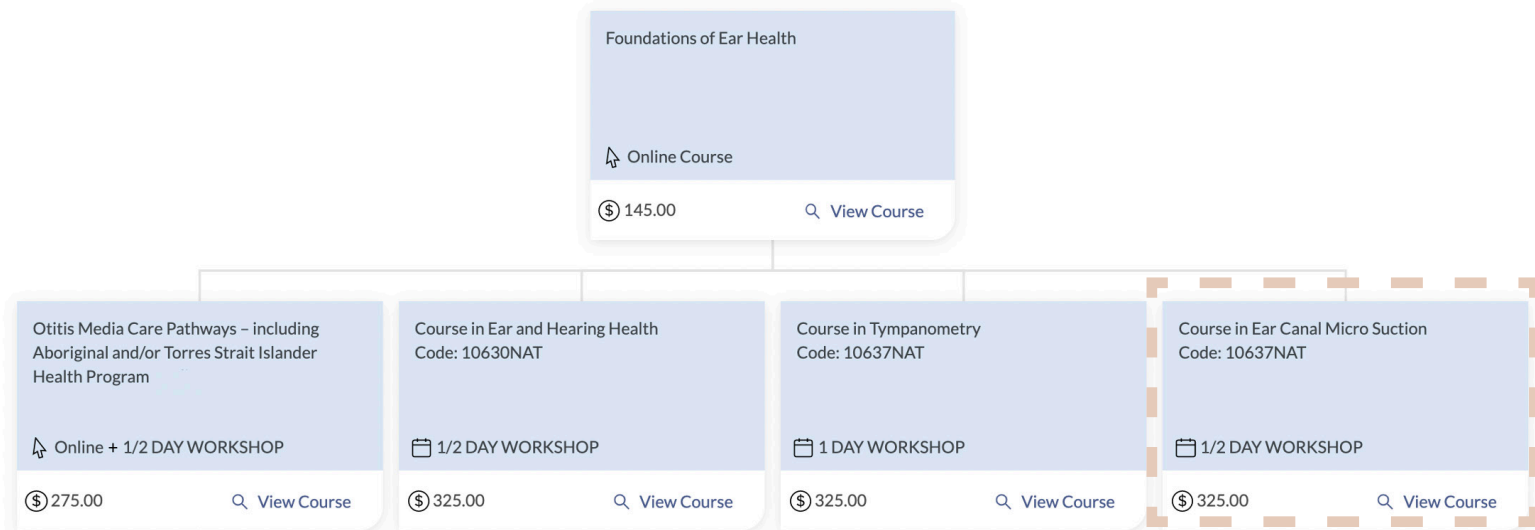
A self-directed model of delivery allows access to a broader range of students regardless of geographic location and allows people to complete the program at a pace that suits their current lifestyle and workplace balance.

### How it works

The pathway starts by building your base knowledge with the nationally-accredited online program, Foundations of Ear Health. You can then continue on with 4 more nationally-accredited Courses - options are dependent on your current qualifications, and topics include the ear and hearing health (including wax removal), otitis media, tympanometry and microsuction.

You can choose to purchase your pathway all at once or pay and complete one learning at a time – the choice is now yours! In fact, once you have completed your enrolment, you can even choose when to activate your assessment.

We look forward to expanding the Ear Health Learning Pathway in 2021 with some exciting new programs.



# About The Benchmark Group

The Benchmark Group (RTO 21824) is a Registered Training Organisation delivering a range of clinical skills courses and programs to meet the needs of a broad range of health professionals across Australia.

As an RTO working in the health sector, our focus is on the delivery of courses and programs designed to provide healthcare professionals with the opportunity to expand their skills and careers. We concentrate on skills and knowledge that can be immediately implemented in a vocational context.

Skills learnt today can be used tomorrow.

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