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To whom it may concern,

**Re:** First Aid - Trainer / Assessor (Casual)

It is with great enthusiasm that I welcome the opportunity to apply for the position of First Aid - Trainer / Assessor (Casual) as advertised on the Australian Wide First Aid website. Currently I teach at Upper Yarra Secondary College and I possess a particular passion for the subjects Biology, Science, Geography and delivering the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

A positive and motivated teacher, I am committed to providing students with a dynamic, creative and interesting learning environment in which students can grow and develop. Recently I completed a Certificate IV in workplace training and assessment and I thrive on the latest resources and developments within the teaching industry.

My passion for First Aid stems from my previous experience working as a Park Ranger based in remote locations around the world. I was often the only “first aider” and I took this responsibility very seriously.

Whilst working as a Teacher and Park Ranger my actual real life First Aid responses include;

* Stabilising deep lacerations from a hiking fall,
* Calling an ambulance to an anaphylaxis reaction,
* Use of Asthma Nebulizers and other puffer medicine,
* Assisting diabetics with both hypo or hyper scenario’s,
* A broad range of first aid; blood nose, eye damage, cuts, bruising etc,
* Performing CPR at the scene of a car accident and assisting with a defibrillator.

Since starting my working career I have held seven consecutive Level II First Aid Certificates. By being willing to regularly update my training and always carrying a first aid kit I have found that my confidence in responding to casualties continues to grow.

Currently I assist in the co-ordination of the Duke of Edinburgh Award and organise adventurous journeys from 2-5 days for students aged from 14-18 years. When planning first aid provisions are paramount, mobile reception, satellite phones, UHF radios, adequate first aid kits, closest hospital, maps, exact locations and emergency contacts are all considered prior to departure.

My knowledge, skills and experience make me the perfect candidate for a First Aid - Trainer / Assessor (Casual). I would gain immense satisfaction in encouraging learners to be qualified in First Aid, as I understand the importance of the first response. I believe I would be an asset to your organisation and would cherish the opportunity to assist in the development and progression of your First Aid training.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my application. I look forward to hearing from you and discussing my suitability for a future role within your organisation.

Yours sincerely,

**Marcus Cook.**