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## Lead and manage practice that promotes the safeguarding of individuals



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### Overview

This standard identifies the requirements associated with safeguarding which must permeate all your work with individuals and in managing others. The standard addresses the need to establish your own understanding and that of others about safeguarding and what you or others must do in cases of actual or potential harm or abuse. The requirements also include ensuring the development of relationships that promote safeguarding and leading and managing practices that promote the rights, inclusion and wellbeing of individuals and keeping themselves safe.

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### Performance criteria

#### Lead and manage compliance with legislative, regulatory, registration and inspection requirements that support the safeguarding of individuals from harm or abuse

*You must be able to:*

- P1 implement systems, procedures and practice that enable workers to comply with legislative, regulatory, registration and inspection requirements
- P2 routinely assess the service provision to ensure compliance with legislative, regulatory, registration and inspection requirements
- P3 lead the management of improvements to the service provision to meet legislative, regulatory, registration and inspection requirements
- P4 **manage the performance of workers** to meet legislative, regulatory, registration and legislative requirements

#### Maintain your own and others understanding of harm, abuse and safeguarding

*You must be able to:*

- P5 ensure that you and others work with **individuals, key people** and **others** to identify factors, situations and actions that may cause or lead to **harm and abuse**
- P6 ensure that others can access and understand information about signs and symptoms that may indicate that an individual has been, or is in danger of being, harmed or abused
- P7 demonstrate understanding of legal requirements, local procedures and your own accountability where there are concerns that an individual has been, or is in danger of being, harmed or abused
- P8 ensure that others can access and understand information about legal requirements, local procedures and their own accountability where there are concerns that an individual has been, or is in danger of being, harmed or abused
- P9 demonstrate understanding of the actions you need to take when harm or abuse is suspected or has been disclosed, in line with local procedures and the responsibilities and boundaries of your role
- P10 demonstrate own understanding of the role of different agencies and the central place of multi-agency working in the **safeguarding** of individuals
- P11 ensure that others can access information about and understand

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- the role of different agencies and the central place of multi-agency working in the safeguarding of individuals
- P12 ensure that others can access information about and understand who can have access to information about suspected harm or abuse
  - P13 ensure that others can access information about and understand how to avoid actions and statements that could adversely affect the use of evidence in future investigations or court whilst giving priority to the protection of individuals
  - P14 access **development opportunities** for yourself and others who are involved in safeguarding individuals
  - P15 reflect on your own behaviour and values to ensure that they do not contribute to situations, actions or behaviour that may be harmful or abusive

### **Manage practice that helps to safeguard individuals from harm or abuse**

*You must be able to:*

- P16 implement systems, procedures and practice for the safeguarding of individuals from harm or abuse in the context of legislative, regulatory and organisational requirements
- P17 ensure that you and others work with individuals, key people and others to agree the procedures to follow if situations, events and behaviour occur that could lead to harm or abuse
- P18 ensure that you and others take immediate action, following organisational procedures where you or others observe signs or symptoms of harm or abuse or where this has been disclosed
- P19 ensure that records and reports are detailed, accurate, timed, dated and signed, are within confidentiality agreements and written according to organisational procedures and legal requirements, avoiding the use of statements that could adversely affect the use of evidence in future investigations and in court
- P20 pass on reports and information about suspected or disclosed harm or abuse within confidentiality agreements and according to legal, organisational, interagency and partnership requirements
- P21 monitor the effectiveness of systems to safeguard people and minimise risks of harm or abuse
- P22 **critically analyse** the effectiveness of systems, procedures and practice for the safeguarding of individuals from harm or abuse
- P23 interpret analysis of systems, procedures and practice to report on areas of good practice and areas that need improvement
- P24 use supervision and support to consider the impact on yourself and other people of suspected or disclosed harm or abuse

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### Lead and manage practice that supports the development of relationships that promote safeguarding

*You must be able to:*

- P25 ensure that you and others establish **relationships** that support trust and rapport with individuals and key people
- P26 manage relationships in which individuals and key people are able to express their fears, anxieties, feelings and concerns without worry of ridicule, rejection or retribution
- P27 lead on the development of a culture and environment in which individuals are able to express their fears, anxieties and concerns without worry of ridicule, rejection or retribution
- P28 ensure that others use individuals' preferred **communication** methods and language
- P29 explain to individuals your responsibilities and the responsibilities of others to disclose any information about potential or actual harm or abuse
- P30 maintain confidentiality within the boundaries of your own role and the safeguarding of individuals
- P31 ensure that others maintain confidentiality within the boundaries of their own role and the safeguarding of individuals

### Lead and manage practice that promotes the rights, inclusion and well being of individuals

*You must be able to:*

- P32 implement systems, procedures and practice that promote the rights, inclusion and well being of individuals in the context of legislative, regulatory and organisational requirements
- P33 lead the management of **person centred** practice in work with individuals
- P34 lead the management of practice that supports individuals to maximise their decision making and control over their lives
- P35 lead the management of practice that maximises the **active participation**, independence and responsibility of individuals
- P36 provide information that supports individuals and key people to make informed choices about the care and services they receive
- P37 work in partnership with individuals, key people and others to promote the individual's choice about the care and services they receive

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- P38 ensure that individuals are supported to communicate their views about their priorities, preferences, needs and factors that affect their health and well being
- P39 lead the management of practice that recognises and respects individuals' **background** and preferences
- P40 take appropriate steps when the behaviour and actions of others are discriminatory
- P41 lead the management of practice that supports individuals, key people and others to work in ways that balance rights, responsibilities and risks
- P42 lead the management of practice that promotes the self esteem, sense of security and belonging of individuals
- P43 develop solutions to deal with conflicts or dilemmas when promoting the rights, responsibilities, inclusion and well-being of individuals
- P44 seek support when there are conflicts or dilemmas that are outside the scope of your responsibility and competence or where these cannot be resolved

#### **Lead and manage practice that supports individuals to keep themselves safe**

*You must be able to:*

- P45 ensure that you and others work with individuals, key people and others to identify situations that may lead to harm or abuse
- P46 lead the management of practice that recognises the vulnerability of individuals to visual, written and **electronic communication** and media
- P47 ensure that you and others work with individuals, key people and others to identify what needs to be in place to avoid situations that may lead to harm or abuse
- P48 lead the management of practice that challenges behaviour or actions that may lead to harm or abuse
- P49 lead the management of practice that supports individuals to recognise when the behaviour towards them or others is inappropriate or unacceptable
- P50 lead the management of practice that sets and maintains fair, safe, consistent and understandable boundaries for individuals
- P51 ensure that key people, individuals and others are supported to provide feedback about the effectiveness of their own, yours and workers' actions in preventing situations that may have led to harm or abuse
- P52 ensure that individuals, key people and others are supported to identify any actions that were ineffective and need changing

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- P53 ensure that individuals, key people and others are supported to express concerns or make complaints
- P54 act upon concerns or complaints in ways that are open, fair and consistent within legal and organisational requirements

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### Knowledge and understanding

*You need to know and understand:*

#### Rights

- K1 legal and work setting requirements on equality, diversity, discrimination and rights
- K2 your role in developing and maintaining systems, procedures and practices which promote individuals' rights, choices, wellbeing and active participation
- K3 your duty to report any acts or omissions that could infringe the rights of individuals
- K4 how to **critically evaluate** and take informed action against discrimination
- K5 the rights that individuals have to make complaints and be supported to do so
- K6 how to ensure that individuals are informed about the service they can expect to receive
- K7 your role in developing and maintaining systems, procedures and practices which ensure that individuals have access to information about themselves in a format they can understand
- K8 conflicts and dilemmas that may arise in relation to rights and how to address them

#### Your practice

*need to know and understand:*

- K9 legislation, statutory codes, standards, frameworks and guidance relevant to your work, your work setting and the content of this standard
- K10 your own background, experiences and beliefs that may have an impact on your practice
- K11 your own roles, responsibilities and accountabilities with their limits and boundaries
- K12 the roles, responsibilities and accountabilities of others with whom you work
- K13 how to access and work to procedures and agreed ways of working
- K14 the meaning of person-centred/child centred working and the importance of knowing and respecting each person as an individual
- K15 the prime importance of the interests and well-being of the individual
- K16 the individual's cultural and language context
- K17 how to build trust and rapport in a relationship
- K18 how your **power and influence** as a leader and manager can

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- impact on relationships
- K19 the role of independent representation and advocacy for individuals
- K20 how to work in ways that promote active participation and maintain individuals' dignity, respect, personal beliefs and preferences
- K21 how to work in ways that achieve positive outcomes for individuals
- K22 how to manage resources to deliver services that meet targets and achieve positive outcomes for individuals
- K23 how to distinguish between **outputs** and **outcomes**
- K24 how to work in partnership with individuals, key people and others
- K25 how to identify and manage ethical conflicts and dilemmas in your work
- K26 how to challenge and address poor practice
- K27 how to address concerns and complaints
- K28 how and when to seek support in situations beyond your experience and expertise
- K29 the nature and impact of **factors that may affect the health, wellbeing and development of individuals** you care for or support
- K30 theories underpinning our understanding of human development and factors that affect it

### Personalisation and resources

*You need to know and understand:*

- K31 how to critically evaluate evidence and knowledge based theories and models of good practice about empowerment and citizen directed services
- K32 how to identify and promote the potential of individuals to use their personal strengths and resources to achieve change
- K33 the value and role of family networks, communities and groups in achieving positive outcomes, and ways to develop them
- K34 the nature of **personalisation** and personalised services, including self directed support
- K35 the range of resources available within informal networks, within the wider community, through formal service provision and through innovation
- K36 how assistive technology can be used to support the independence of individuals
- K37 how to lead, manage and support others to plan, deliver and review personalised services with individuals

### Continuing professional development

*You need to know and*

- K38 principles of reflective practice and why it is important



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### *understand:*

- K39 your role in developing the professional knowledge and practice of others
- K40 how to promote **evidence based practice**
- K41 methods of managing performance to meet targets and achieve positive outcomes
- K42 how to assess performance
- K43 how to provide constructive feedback to others on their practice and performance
- K44 how to address performance that does not meet required standards
- K45 how to use supervision to support the practice and performance of others
- K46 how to use appraisal to support the practice and performance of others
- K47 systems, procedures and practices for managing workloads
- K48 methods for delegating work

### **Communication**

### *You need to know and understand:*

- K49 factors that can affect communication and language skills and their development in children, young people or adults
- K50 methods to promote effective communication and enable individuals to communicate their needs, views and preferences
- K51 factors that can affect communication within and between organisations
- K52 methods to promote effective communication within and between organisations

### **Health and Safety**

### *You need to know and understand:*

- K53 legal and statutory requirements for health and safety
- K54 your work setting policies and practices for monitoring and maintaining health, safety and security in the work environment

### **Safe-guarding**

### *You need to know and understand:*

- K55 legislation and national policy relating to the safe-guarding and protection of children, young people and adults
- K56 the responsibility that everyone has to raise concerns about possible harm or abuse, poor or discriminatory practices
- K57 indicators of potential harm or abuse
- K58 how and when to report any concerns about harm or abuse, poor or discriminatory practice, resources or operational difficulties

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- K59 what to do if you have reported concerns but no action is taken to address them
- K60 local systems and multi-disciplinary procedures that relate to safeguarding and protection from harm or abuse
- K61 how to support others who have expressed concerns about harm or abuse

### Multi-disciplinary working

*You need to know and understand:*

- K62 the purpose of working with other professionals and agencies
- K63 the remit and responsibilities of other professionals and agencies involved in multi-disciplinary work
- K64 features of multi-disciplinary and interagency communication
- K65 how different philosophies, principles, priorities and codes of practice can affect partnership working

### Handling information

*You need to know and understand:*

- K66 legal requirements, policies and procedures for the security and confidentiality of information
- K67 legal and work setting requirements for recording information and producing reports within timescales
- K68 principles of confidentiality and when to pass on otherwise confidential information
- K69 how to support the effective sharing of information to achieve positive outcomes for individuals
- K70 how to record written information with accuracy, clarity, relevance and an appropriate level of detail
- K71 how to use evidence, fact and knowledge-based opinion to support professional judgements in records and reports
- K72 how and where electronic communications can and should be used for communicating, recording and reporting

### Leading and managing practice

*You need to know and understand:*

- K73 how to **critically analyse** theories about **leadership** and **management**
- K74 standards of practice, service standards and guidance relating to the work setting
- K75 national and local initiatives to promote the well-being of individuals
- K76 models of practice for the use of early interventions
- K77 lessons learned from government reports, research and inquiries

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into serious failures of health or social care practice and from successful interventions

- K78 methods of supporting others to work with and support individuals, key people and others
- K79 how to lead and manage practice that achieves positive outcomes for individuals
- K80 methods of supporting others to recognise and take informed action against discrimination
- K81 how to develop systems, practices, policies and procedures
- K82 how to implement, monitor and evaluate systems, practices, policies and procedures
- K83 how to promote the services and facilities of your work- setting
- K84 techniques for problem solving and innovative thinking
- K85 how to motivate others
- K86 how to critically evaluate evidence and knowledge based theories and models of good practice about change management
- K87 how to use change management techniques

### Risk management

*You need to know and understand:*

- K88 how to critically evaluate principles and frameworks of risk assessment and risk management
- K89 principles of positive risk-taking
- K90 how to lead others to develop practice that supports positive risk-taking

### Managing people

*You need to know and understand:*

- K91 legal and work-setting requirements for **employment practices**
- K92 internal and external governance arrangements for the work-setting
- K93 factors that can lead to pressures on the service, individual and team performance
- K94 how to manage time, resources and workload of self and others
- K95 how to manage team dynamics
- K96 how to create a culture that promotes openness, creativity and problem solving
- K97 how to create a culture that supports people to embrace change

### Specific to this NOS

*You need to know and understand:*

- K98 how and where to access literature, information, advice and support to inform your and others' knowledge and practice to safeguard

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children, young people and adults

K99 **types of harm and abuse**

K100 **factors that may make someone more vulnerable** to harm or abuse

K101 common features of perpetrator behaviour and grooming

K102 correct actions to take if harm or abuse is suspected, disclosed or alleged

K103 how to manage systems, procedures and practice to protect yourself and others from harm and abuse when in a work setting or working alone

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### Additional Information

#### Scope/range related to performance criteria

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**Active participation** is a way of working that regards individuals as active partners in their own care or support rather than passive recipients. Active participation recognises each individual's right to participate in the activities and relationships of everyday life as independently as possible

A person's **background** is the individual's unique mix of personal experiences, history, culture, beliefs, preferences, family relationships, informal networks and community

**Communication** may include using the individual's preferred spoken language, the use of signs, the use of symbols or pictures, writing, objects of reference, communication passports, other non verbal forms of communication, human and technological aids to communication

**Critically analyse** is to examine something closely such as a policy, procedure, theory, complex situation, problem or an approach to practice – identifying the parts or issues that contribute to the whole product, situation or idea and determining how these different parts affect the quality of the whole product or how the individual issues affect the overall situation

Critical analysis involves a weighing-up of the factors concerned, for their contribution of strengths / weaknesses or advantages / disadvantages of a product or in a situation. Critical analysis is part of the process of understanding issues and developing original and creative responses

**Development opportunities** may include a blend of educational programmes, training activities, mentoring, coaching, shadowing, induction, supervision, guided reading, research, action learning sets, peer group discussions

**Electronic communication** may include the use of mobile phones and the internet, including social networking sites

**Harm and abuse** may include neglect; physical, emotional and sexual abuse; financial abuse; bullying; self harm; reckless behaviour

The **individual** is the person you support or care for in your work

**Key people** are those who are important to an individual and who can make a difference to his or her well-being. Key people may include family, friends,

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carers and others with whom the individual has a supportive relationship

**Manage the performance of workers** would include: safe recruitment and selection; providing effective induction; providing development opportunities; promoting and ensuring compliance with all organisational policies and procedures and external codes of practice that apply; providing regular supervision and routine performance reviews

**Others** are workers that you manage, your colleagues and other professionals whose work contributes to the individual's well-being and who enable you to carry out your role

**Person centred** approaches are those that fully recognise the uniqueness of the individual and establish this as the basis for the planning and delivery of care and support

**Relationships** may include those developed over a period of time or those established in a situation where immediate care or support is required

**Safeguarding** is working with individuals, children, young people and their families to take all reasonable measures to ensure that the risks of harm are minimised and where there are concerns about the welfare of individuals or children and young people, appropriate action is taken to address those concerns working to National policies and guidance and to agreed local policies and procedures in full partnership with local agencies

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### Scope/range relating to knowledge and understanding

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**All knowledge statements must be applied in the context of this standard.**

**In relation to all knowledge statements you need to know and understand the specified areas of knowledge and be able to critically apply the knowledge and understanding in your leadership and management practice**

**Critically analyse** is to examine something closely such as a policy, procedure, theory, complex situation, problem or an approach to practice – identifying the parts or issues that contribute to the whole product, situation or idea and determining how these different parts affect the quality of the whole product or how the individual issues affect the overall situation

Critical analysis involves a weighing-up of the factors concerned, for their contribution of strengths / weaknesses or advantages / disadvantages of a product or in a situation. Critical analysis is part of the process of understanding issues and developing original and creative responses

**Critically evaluate** is to weigh arguments for and against something, assessing all evidence, this could relate to factors such as models of care service delivery, policy development, theories, approaches to practice

Critical evaluation requires a weighing up and making judgements on factors such as currency, relevance, validity, outcomes, cost, sustainability, risk, and fitness-for-purpose of a product or a service against other products, services or ideas, using relevant criteria to frame the evaluation and inform decision-making

**Employment practices** should include recruitment, performance management, disciplinary procedures, grievance procedures

**Evidence based practice** uses systems, processes and 'practice wisdom' that has been proved to be effective in supporting the achievement of positive outcomes. Evidence may have been drawn from a variety of sources: research, both formal and informal, and the views and opinions of individuals, key people and those involved in the delivery of care services

**Factors that may affect the health, wellbeing and development** may include adverse circumstances or trauma before or during birth; autistic spectrum disorder; dementia; family circumstances; frailty; harm or abuse;

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injury; learning disability; medical conditions (chronic or acute); mental health; physical disability; physical ill health; poverty; profound or complex needs; sensory needs; social deprivation; substance misuse

**Factors that may make someone more vulnerable** may relate to the individual, to their personal circumstances including family issues or disrupted relationships, to the work setting or to particular ways of working

**Leadership** is the ability to provide strategic direction and a sense of purpose. Effective leaders create a sense of trust, confidence and belief, inspiring people to adopt the values and behaviours they promote. They are innovative, creative and motivating

**Management** is the ability to set the operational direction and organise the effective running of the service provision to meet the overall service needs including ethical, legislative, regulatory and organisational requirements. Effective managers facilitate and organise resources in order to optimise the performance of others, allowing them to carry out tasks and achieve goals efficiently and effectively. They provide clarity and accountability that enable teams to meet their objectives

**Outcomes** are the changes or differences that individuals or care services are trying to achieve. Hard outcomes are changes that are clear and obvious, or those that involve a visible change in people's behaviour or circumstances. Soft outcomes are changes that are less easy to observe and measure, or those that involve more subtle changes inside people such as a change in someone's attitude, sense of well-being or how they see or feel about themselves

**Outputs** are the tangible products, services or facilities that are a result of organisational activities or the activities of those involved in the delivery of the service provision. Outputs may be used to achieve outcomes

**Personalisation** can be defined as 'changing the power balance so that each person really does have choice and control over the care services that they want. From being a recipient of services, individuals become involved in selecting and shaping the services they use'. Personalisation is a social care approach that encompasses citizen-directed support; self-directed support; the use of direct payments or personal budgets; the provision of accessible information and advice on care and support and the promotion of independence and self-reliance amongst individuals and communities

Depending on how it is used the **power and influence** of leaders and



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managers may have either a positive or negative effect upon relationships

**Types of harm or abuse** may include physical abuse, emotional abuse, sexual abuse, financial abuse, neglect, institutional abuse, bullying, abuse relating to social networking media

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### Values

Adherence to codes of practice or conduct where applicable to your role and the principles and values that underpin your work setting, including the rights of children, young people and adults. These include the rights:

- To be treated as an individual
- To be treated equally and not be discriminated against
- To be respected
- To have privacy
- To be treated in a dignified way
- To be protected from danger and harm
- To be supported and cared for in a way that meets their needs, takes account of their choices and also protects them
- To communicate using their preferred methods of communication and language
- To access information about themselves

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