
Overview

Team working within organisations and across organisational boundaries, is now a common working practice. People may work on a number of teams and may be located in different places geographically or in different parts of the organisation. Virtual working, with people moving between locations is also becoming commonplace. Effective team and virtual working requires that individuals and teams have access to tools that enable them to communicate effectively. This standard is about providing, managing or supporting these tools and processes.

This standard is applicable to people in management and practitioner roles who are responsible for supporting teams and staff working remotely. It is also applicable to people in operational roles responsible for identifying, developing and managing tools and processes to support teams and remote workers.

Performance criteria

You must be able to:

- P1 determine strategies to support team and virtual working
- P2 demonstrate and communicate the value of effective knowledge and information management to team and virtual working
- P3 secure senior management and stakeholder support for information strategies to support team and virtual working
- P4 identify with stakeholders the key challenges for teams and people working virtually
- P5 identify and review with stakeholders the requirements for communication tools and processes
- P6 identify, develop and maintain effective tools and processes, e.g. social computing and document management tools, to support team working
- P7 identify networks, processes and systems that allow people to connect to information and knowledge from wherever they are working
- P8 monitor processes and tools for team and virtual working and identify improvements
- P9 provide guidelines, training, coaching and support to facilitate and encourage effective use of team and virtual working tools and processes
- P10 provide guidelines to facilitate interactive collaboration between internal and external stakeholders
- P11 ensure that team members understand and adhere to regulatory, social or commercial constraints that may apply
- P12 ensure that teams and remote workers have access to knowledge assets and information and the tools to help them record knowledge and experience
- P13 ensure that the records management issues arising from team and virtual working are addressed
- P14 identify the contribution that knowledge management is making to team and virtual working

Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

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| K1 | the organisation's working practices and how these affect teams, virtual teams and remote workers |
| K2 | regulatory, social and commercial constraints that apply to working remotely and in teams |
| K3 | the principles of team working and how these impact on ILKRA issues and needs |
| K4 | the range of tools and techniques available to support teams and remote working, including face to face and technology enabled techniques |
| K5 | how to enable the management of information resources for virtual teams |
| K6 | how team and virtual working interfaces with core business processes |
| K7 | the records, information and knowledge management issues arising from team and virtual working |

Additional Information

Behaviours

1. You demonstrate support for people who work remotely and ensure that you understand their priorities and constraints
2. You demonstrate an understanding of the objectives and priorities of the teams you support
3. You balance the use of new technologies with the development and maintenance of established techniques for supporting teams and remote working so that the most appropriate processes are employed
4. You lead by example and demonstrate a commitment to team and virtual working
5. You demonstrate an appreciation of the challenges of virtual working

Links to other NOS

This standard has links with:

HI 12 – Promote and facilitate the use of information and knowledge

from the NOS for Health Informatics, developed by Skills for Health. See www.skillsforhealth.org

This standard also has links with:

MSC D 2 – Develop productive working relationships with colleagues and stakeholders

MSC F 12 – Improve organisational performance

from the NOS for Management and Leadership, developed by the Management Standards Centre

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