Promote resources and services



Overview

This standard is about engaging with customers to promote resources and services in order to ensure that customers are aware of their accessibility, value and potential benefit. It applies to promotion within an organisation and its premises, and to the development of promotion and outreach activities that are delivered externally to community groups and/or in external facilities.

This standard is applicable to people in management and practitioner and operational roles who have responsibility for the promotion of services and for promotional strategies.

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:

- P1 identify the range of customer groups for which specific services have potential benefit
- P2 identify current users and non-users of your organisation's services so that the reasons for non-use can be ascertained
- P3 develop a promotion and marketing strategy and vision both for your services as a whole and/or for specific services or customer groups
- P4 secure resources for service promotion and ensure that the necessary skills are acquired
- P5 use the skills available in your organisation to support promotional activity
- P6 design, develop and deliver specific promotional activities, e.g. newsletters, promotional visits, displays and exhibitions, talks and workshops etc.
- P7 select and obtain, or design and produce promotional materials and items for displays and exhibitions
- P8 share information with colleagues on your experience in promoting services and seek their advice and experience
- P9 use cross selling techniques to promote additional services to customers of other services that you provide
- P10 maintain accurate data on service use and trends in service use by specific customer groups
- P11 assess the impact of promotional activity on service use
- P12 identify specific instances where use of a service has produced a specific impact so that examples are available to use in promotion
- P13 learn from promotional activity in order to improve practice

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

K1	the principles and practices of promotional activity
K2	how specific services benefit their users
K3	the main factors that influence your existing customers to use specific services
K4	the range of techniques that can be applied to promotion
K5	how to carry out specific promotional techniques eg. how to run a
	storytelling circle, set up an exhibition, produce a newsletter
K6	how legislation such as health and safety, copyright, intellectual
	property, and security requirements impact on promotional activities
K7	how to give balanced information to your customers on the role and
	value of your services
K8	how to encourage customers to ask for information on additional

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Additional Information

Behaviours

- 1. You regard every interaction with the customer as an opportunity to promote the range of services your organisation provides
- 2. You consider customer needs and your organisation's reputation and brand in all aspects of service delivery
- 3. You strive to ensure that services reach the widest relevant user base
- 4. You recognise that customers are individuals who will need different approaches to promotion
- 5. You are innovative in thinking of new ways to promote your organisation's services
- 6. You promote services ethically and with accurate claims for their value

Links to other NOS

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