

SFHCHS125

Play a designated role within the response to a major incident



Overview

This standard covers the actions needed to fulfil the responsibilities of a designated role within a Major Incident Plan.

Users of this standard will need to ensure that practice reflects up to date information and policies.

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Performance criteria

- You must be able to:*
- P1 confirm that you have an accurate understanding of the designated role and responsibilities you are required to fulfil with regard to the incident
 - P2 communicate appropriately with relevant others and keep them fully and accurately informed of:
 - P2.1 actions you are taking which will have implications for their work
 - P2.2 times at which you are unable to fulfil the responsibilities assigned to you, for whatever reason
 - P2.3 the outcomes of actions they have taken which have affected your work
 - P2.4 circumstances where clearance is required for deviations from planned response actions
 - P3 comply promptly and fully with instructions and discharge all the responsibilities assigned to you in line with:
 - P3.1 evidence based practice
 - P3.2 the resources available
 - P3.3 the procedures, methods and actions set out for your role within national and organisational Major Incident Plans
 - P4 act proactively to identify and address any risks which threaten the coherence of the response being provided to the major incident/situation
 - P5 contribute to the safety of yourself and others, and wear personal protective equipment as appropriate to the situation
 - P6 respond promptly and constructively to requests for assistance from others where these are within your scope of practice and/or designated role
 - P7 maintain any records required and ensure that they are available for reference by entitled personnel
 - P8 support evaluation and improvement of the response provided by providing clear and accurate information and feedback as soon as possible after the event

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 national and local Major Incident Plans and the roles and responsibilities of your organisation in these
- K2 the designated roles within local Major Incident Plans, how they interact, and who is authorised to undertake each
- K3 the importance of clear and appropriate communication between individuals, teams and agencies involved in providing the response to a major incident
- K4 why deviations from planned responses should be cleared with the control team for a major incident, or whoever else is appropriate
- K5 the prioritisation protocols to be applied within Major Incident Plans
- K6 why it is important to provide information as early as possible for evaluation of the response to the major incident
- K7 the types of personal protective equipment available and their use
- K8 the role you are to play and the responsibilities associated with that
- K9 the kinds of symptoms, illnesses, injuries or conditions with which individuals who have been involved in a Major Incident are likely to present and of the clinical responses needed in relation to those
- K10 how to prevent the occurrence of risks to the coherence and delivery of the response to a major incident, such risks including:
 - K10.1 break down of communications
 - K10.2 the taking of actions which deviate from the plan without control team clearance
 - K10.3 loss of capacity
 - K10.4 loss of resource
 - K10.5 a need for actions to be taken which are outside the scope of practice of those available to undertake them
- K11 the resources used in the role you are playing and how to use them efficiently
- K12 the importance of establishing and maintaining clear, timely and accurate communication with relevant others
- K13 the collaboration and partnership working involved in the allocation of given responsibilities
- K14 the importance of providing effective support to others, in accordance with your scope of practice and designated role
- K15 the sources you can turn to for advice and support when a required action is outside the scope of practice of those available to undertake it
- K16 the current legislation, guidelines, policies and protocols which affect your responsibilities and work practice
- K17 the policies and guidance which clarify your scope of practice and the relationship between yourself and others involved in the response to a major incident

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K18 your role and the importance of working within your own scope of practice

K19 the roles and responsibilities of others involved in the response to a major incident

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Additional Information

External links

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