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Advise on protocols for healthcare science investigations and procedures



Overview

This standard relates to the provision of advice to service users and professionals on existing or developing investigations, procedures and protocols.

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 performance of planned investigation or procedure is relevant and suitable for intended use including clinical need
- P2 provide current, accurate advice in a form that will be understood by those requiring assistance
- P3 explain the protocol confirming good practice
- P4 assure that protocols comply with current guidelines, standards or other documents
- P5 advise on acceptable variation of protocol in exceptional circumstances
- P6 verify understanding of those to whom advice has been given
- P7 work within the limits of competence and seek advice where necessary

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 relevant protocols and associated national and international standards or guidelines
- K2 clinical conditions and factors influencing choice of investigation or procedure
- K3 how to provide advice in terms which meet the needs of people to whom advice is given
- K4 acceptable variations to protocols and factors which influence acceptability
- K5 risks associated with variation to protocols
- K6 where and how to access information of relevance to the request for advice
- K7 where to access agreed protocols
- K8 what advice to give in circumstances where protocols do not exist

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Additional Information

External Links

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