

SFHCHS176

Provide expert witness relating to patient investigations or procedures



Overview

This standard relates to requirements for expert witness in respect of adverse incidents or legal/regulatory proceedings.

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 ensure that relevant and accurate data concerning the specific patient and event is available with reference to relevant guidelines
 - P2 verify data quality and confirm sufficiency for purpose
 - P3 confirm requirements for your availability and attendance at enquiries
 - P4 liaise with colleagues to obtain accurate, current and sufficiently detailed supporting information
 - P5 give clear factual, and pertinent evidence in response to questions
 - P6 provide suitable written legal report

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 the types of information required when giving expert witness
- K2 the level of detail required
- K3 how to obtain supporting information
- K4 how to verify data
- K5 how to distinguish between fact and opinion
- K6 how to present factual information clearly in a formal setting
- K7 the moral and professional responsibilities associated with the role of expert witness

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Additional Information

External Links

This standard links with the following dimension within the NHS Knowledge and Skills Framework (October 2004):

Dimension: Core 1 Communication

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