
Overview

This standard is relevant to people who plan and prepare screening programmes. It may include planning for tests to be conducted by self or others and those directed by external agencies and departments.

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

Performance criteria

You must be able to:

- P1 work within your level of competence, responsibility and accountability
- P2 identify the need and seek approval for the screening programme from relevant stakeholders
- P3 identify the potential impact of the planned screening programme on other services
- P4 consult with relevant key stakeholders to gain their agreement to provide their resources and time
- P5 plan the screening programme in partnership with all key stakeholders and liaise with them throughout the planning and implementation stages
- P6 agree on the aims, objectives, outcomes and measures for the screening programme with the key stakeholders
- P7 obtain a budget allocation to cover all anticipated resources
- P8 confirm the size of the target population, time frame and resources for screening
- P9 determine the appropriate sampling and testing criteria in order to collect relevant information and data in accordance with national and local policies, protocols and procedures
- P10 select suitable statistical programmes to evaluate the findings
- P11 agree the milestones and timeframes that are relevant to the size and requirements of the screening programme
- P12 make sure all resources are available for the screening programme
- P13 where appropriate, specify the anticipated referral route for further investigation following screening
- P14 produce a report for the planning and implementation stages of the screening programme
- P15 maintain full, accurate and legible records of information collected in line with current legislation, guidelines, local policies and protocols

Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 your own level of competence, authority and specialist knowledge base
- K2 the range of stakeholders involved, their information needs, roles and responsibilities
- K3 the principles, policies and protocols for population based screening within your work practice
- K4 the importance of securing appropriate budget and resources for screening programmes and where and how to resource the required provisions
- K5 the importance of national standards, protocols and procedures within programmes for screening target populations
- K6 the range of factors that may affect the outcomes of screening programmes and where applicable how to minimise their effect
- K7 the range and types of screening tests for each target population and the range of equipment and/or associated systems required
- K8 why it is important to recognise the constraints that may influence the timeframe for screening programmes
- K9 the selection criteria for type and number of individuals to conduct screening
- K10 the local and national requirements for data collection and recording
- K11 the importance of reliable data collection appropriate to the screening process
- K12 the importance of providing reports of screening programmes in the required format , appropriate to the target audience, in accordance with nation guidelines, local policies and procedures
- K13 the current national legislation, guidelines, local policies and protocols which affect your work practice
- K14 the policies and guidance that clarify your scope of practice, accountabilities and the working relationship between yourself and others

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Additional Information

External Links

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

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