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## Provide Healing to clients



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### Overview

This standard is about providing Healing as a complementary therapy. The practice of Healing is non-invasive and is used holistically for the body, mind and spirit.

Healing involves the transmission of a natural healing energy that works on every level, not just the physical, and is believed to promote the body's regenerative self healing ability.

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 the healing environment and any equipment and materials meet professional codes of practice and legal requirements
- P2 present a professional appearance and be prepared and fit to carry out the healing
- P3 explain to the client what may happen during and after healing
- P4 obtain the appropriate consent
- P5 position the client for effective healing and to minimise risk of injury to, and give as much comfort as possible to, the client and self
- P6 reassure the client and encourage them to relax and interact as appropriate
- P7 carry out the healing safely and in the agreed manner
- P8 make appropriate adjustments to the healing to meet the client's changing needs
- P9 deal effectively with responses to the healing
- P10 check the client's wellbeing throughout the healing and give reassurance where needed
- P11 conclude the healing session appropriately and ensure the client is fit to travel
- P12 obtain feedback on the outcome of the healing in a manner, level and pace suited to the client
- P13 offer clear, accurate and appropriate aftercare advice and support to the client
- P14 record the outcomes of the healing accurately and in sufficient detail to evaluate efficacy and to meet professional and legal requirements

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### Knowledge and understanding

*You need to know and understand:*

- P1 the nature of healing – the part played by healers in the healing process:
  - P1.1 healing energy and its source
  - P1.2 holistic healing – body, mind and spirit
  - P1.3 levels of existence and spirituality
  - P1.4 healing the whole person
  - P1.5 the healer as a channel for healing energy flow
  - P1.6 the healer's individual contribution
  - P1.7 the energetic systems and their involvement in the healing process
- P2 the legal framework in which healers must operate:
  - P2.1 legislation affecting healing and healers
  - P2.1 legislation relating to vulnerable groups and animals
  - P2.3 position of trust/duty of care
  - P2.4 legislation and government policies relating to consent
  - P2.5 legislation relating to commercial practice
- P3 the healer/client relationship:
  - P3.1 respect for the client's dignity, privacy, autonomy, cultural differences, rights and beliefs
  - P3.2 the need to maintain confidentiality (subject to legislation)  
healing as a complementary therapy
  - P3.3 effective communication skills
  - P3.4 the importance of not diagnosing
  - P3.5 the nature of the service(s) provided
  - P3.6 the contractual relationships between healer, client and others
  - P3.7 informed and implied consent
- P4 the relationship with all other healthcare professionals:
  - P4.1 appearance and behaviour when visiting clients in hospital and other medical establishments
  - P4.2 awareness of the appropriate approach required with other healthcare professionals
- P5 the power of thought and the importance of intent
- P6 relaxation, meditation and self awareness in the development of the
  - P6.1 healer's own potential:
  - P6.2 breathing techniques
  - P6.3 meditation
  - P6.4 maintaining the healer's own wellbeing
  - P6.5 personal development

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- P6.6 personal standards
- P7 attunement:
  - P7.1 the source of the healing energy
  - P7.2 the route the healing energy takes
  - P7.3 how to develop and improve the healer's own methods and ability
  - P7.4 how to recognise any consequences of attunement
- P8 healing preparation:
  - P8.1 how to recognise the presence of healing energy
  - P8.2 any effect the process may have on the healer
  - P8.3 how to sense the subtle energies
  - P8.4 ways of recognising that healing energies are flowing
- P9 healing with the client present:
  - P9.1 the healing environment
  - P9.2 how to prepare the client to receive healing – what to say and what not to say
  - P9.3 the healing act – what to do and what not to do
  - P9.4 healing styles – good practice
  - P9.5 healing options – hands on or off the body, seated or lying
  - P9.6 how to conclude the healing act
  - P9.7 how to elicit and respond to feedback from the client
- P10 distant (or absent) healing:
  - P10.1 the healing environment
  - P10.2 how to prepare the client to receive distant healing
  - P10.3 the healing act – what to do and what not to do
  - P10.4 how to conclude the healing act
  - P10.5 how to elicit and respond to feedback from the client
- P11 how to deal with situations that might arise prior to, during and after a healing session:
  - P11.1 when the healer is insufficiently experienced or a medical referral is essential
  - P11.2 when a healer or client should seek advice from other sources including healthcare professionals or other therapists
  - P11.3 the circumstances when a healer may choose not to accept a client
  - P11.4 when adequate supervision is necessary
  - P11.5 how to deal with special requests from clients
- P12 basic anatomy and physiology – knowledge of the basic systems,

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structures and functions relating to the physical body (including circulatory/digestive/nervous/ muscular/skeletal/main organs)

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#### Additional Information

This National Occupational Standard was developed by Skills for Health.

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

Dimension: HWB7 Interventions and treatments

#### RELATED FUNCTIONS

Principles of Good Practice

CNH1 Explore and establish the client's needs for complementary and natural healthcare

CNH2 Develop and agree plans for complementary and natural healthcare with client

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