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Review presenting conditions and determine the appropriate intervention for the individual



Overview

This standard covers the review of an adult individual's presenting conditions to determine the appropriate intervention to optimise their health and well-being. It includes discussing and agreeing the suitability of possible intervention options with the individual and involving them in the decision-making process where possible and appropriate. Presenting conditions might be reviewed to determine clinical, surgical or therapeutic interventions.

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 explain clearly to individuals the purpose of reviewing their presenting conditions and confirm whether they are happy for other health and care providers or significant others to be involved as required
- P2 communicate clearly and appropriately with the individual throughout, using specialist communication resources and aids as appropriate
- P3 identify details of the individual's presenting condition, where possible, referring to their medical history, results of investigations and tests, referral information, other health and care providers and/or significant others as appropriate
- P4 consider, review and accurately interpret all the information available regarding the individual and their presenting condition
- P5 identify and respond appropriately to any possible contra-indications, risks, and possible adverse effects that intervention may create for the individual
- P6 liaise with relevant colleagues or other health and care providers, as appropriate, to rectify promptly any deficiencies, discrepancies or anomalies with the information available
- P7 discuss and agree the suitability of possible intervention options with the individual and involve them in the decision-making process where possible and appropriate
- P8 determine a preferred intervention option that is:
 - P8.1 consistent with the outcomes of assessment
 - P8.2 consistent with the individual's informed consent, wishes and views
 - P8.3 consistent with agreed protocols, pathways and models of care
 - P8.4 consistent with the resources available
 - P8.5 based on systematic processes of reasoning
- P9 inform and reassure the individual regarding any concerns or questions they have about options for intervention
- P10 identify and accurately assess the risks associated with the preferred intervention method
- P11 establish clear contingencies for avoiding or minimising any risks to ensure the successful delivery of the intervention
- P12 respect individuals' privacy, dignity, wishes and beliefs, throughout your interaction with them
- P13 maintain timely, accurate, complete and legible records about the assessment and any outcomes in accordance with national and local legislation, policies and guidelines
- P14 work at all times within appropriate patient and information confidentiality legislation, guidelines and protocols

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P15 work within your scope of responsibility and accountability, referring to others where appropriate and/or necessary

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 the current European, national and local legislation, policies, guidelines and protocols which affect your work practice
- K2 your responsibilities under the current European national and local legislation, policies, guidelines and protocols with regard to reviewing presenting conditions to determine the appropriate interventions for individuals
- K3 the legislation, policies and guidance which clarify your scope of practice and the relationship between yourself and other members of staff in terms of delegation and supervision
- K4 your role and responsibilities, that of other health and care providers, and the importance of working within your own scope of practice
- K5 the importance of involving the individual in the consideration of the suitability of intervention options
- K6 the importance of considering the individual's level of understanding when communicating with them
- K7 the different methods of communication you may have to use in relation to individuals with communication difficulties or differences
- K8 the type and range of interventions available and contra-indications of each
- K9 the optimum selection of procedures or techniques to generate answers to clinical questions and accommodate influencing factors of patients condition
- K10 possible side effects, risks and adverse effects associated with particular interventions and the likelihood that they will affect the individual
- K11 how to develop contingency plans to limit or avoid the effect of any risks and ensure the successful delivery of the intervention, and when it is appropriate to do so
- K12 anatomy, general and system specific physiology and pathology in relation to the presenting conditions being reviewed, in line with current guidance in your field of practice
- K13 how the availability of resources can impact upon the suitability of intervention options for the individual
- K14 the methods of obtaining information regarding the availability of relevant resources
- K15 the layout of case notes to obtain pertinent data to aid decision making
- K16 how and where to obtain relevant information to support decisions regarding presenting conditions and appropriate interventions
- K17 the importance of recording information clearly, accurately and in a systematic manner
- K18 the types of information that must be recorded in relation to different

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- activities
- K19 the importance of recording information as soon after the event as possible

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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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