Monitor and review the effectiveness of services and initiatives to protect health, wellbeing and safety



Overview

This standard covers assessing the evidence for the effectiveness of services and initiatives to protect health, and reporting the findings.

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 identify the services and initiatives that you wish to monitor and review and, where necessary, agree your role in doing this with others who are involved
- P2 develop clear statements of:
 - P2.1 the purpose and focus of the review
 - P2.2 the issues to be addressed
 - P2.3 the criteria against which effectiveness should be measured
 - P2.4 the confidentiality of information and reach agreement with others on the way forward
- P3 identify appropriate and valid sources of evidence for the review, and take steps to gather the evidence in cost-effective and timely ways
- P4 critically appraise the evidence and identify from it strengths, achievements, weaknesses, and areas for development, in relation to the services and initiatives
- P5 discuss your conclusions, and the evidence on which they are based, with others involved in the services and initiatives, and seek to reach agreement with them about lessons learnt and recommendations for change
- P6 produce a written summary of the review in a form that is suitable for those involved in managing and delivering the services and initiatives, to help them to evaluate activities and to make decisions about future actions

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 your legal powers and duties, and your responsibilities and accountability under organisational and professional policies and protocols
- K2 the importance of working within the limits of your own competence and seeking support and advice when faced with situations outside your competence
- K3 how health and wellbeing, needs and outcomes are monitored
- K4 different qualitative and quantitative methods that can be used for measuring, analysing and interpreting health and wellbeing, health needs and outcomes
- K5 the strengths, uses, interpretation and limitations of different types of data relating to health and wellbeing, needs and outcomes
- K6 the links between, and relative importance of, the different determinants of health and wellbeing
- K7 the concept and nature of inequalities in health and wellbeing (including use of social deprivation indices)
- K8 the terms and concepts that are used in epidemiology and how rates are calculated
- K9 how to apply evidence and standards to the evaluation of interventions, programmes and services
- K10 the limitations of analysis when working with small numbers / populations
- K11 the importance of data confidentiality and disclosure and the use of data sharing protocols
- K12 the political sensitivities of data release

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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: HWB3 Protection of health and wellbeing

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