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Develop plans to provide immunisation as an intervention to protect the population's health and wellbeing



Overview

This standard concerns making plans to provide immunisation to specific groups in order to protect the health and wellbeing of the population. The plans may be the implementation of a government programme, or a response to a cluster of cases, indicating a need for immunisation. You are likely to be working with colleagues or partner organisations in developing these plans.

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 act with an appropriate degree of urgency, relative to the level of risks that are indicated
- P2 develop a case for providing immunisation, based on:
 - P2.1 national policies and programmes
 - P2.2 an assessment of risks to individual or population health
 - P2.3 costs, where appropriate
- P3 identify the stakeholders who are involved in delivering immunisation, and engage them in the planning process
- P4 in discussion with stakeholders, and applying relevant guidelines and protocols, seek agreement on:
 - P4.1 the target group(s) for immunisation
 - P4.2 how this/these group(s) can be reached
- P5 agree practical methods of providing immunisation to the target group, including details of:
 - P5.1 locations
 - P5.2 timescales
 - P5.3 methods of delivery
 - P5.4 responsibilities for carrying out the immunisation
 - P5.5 training for those who will provide the immunisation, where appropriate
 - P5.6 sourcing and storage of vaccines
 - P5.7 sourcing and storage of needles and syringes
 - P5.8 how to manage adverse incidents
 - P5.9 identifying a suitable prescriber
 - P5.10 plans for follow up members of the target group(s) who are difficult to reach
- P6 critically evaluate the plans, identify risks and potential difficulties, and agree how these will be managed
- P7 agree effective processes for:
 - P7.1 providing information to the target group
 - P7.2 ensuring consent
- P8 agree appropriate criteria for measuring the success of the intervention, and establish practical methods of monitoring progress and evaluating outcomes
- P9 arrange effective means of communicating the plans to everyone involved in implementing them

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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 the roles and responsibilities of local health and social care agencies and departments and other agencies at regional and national level relevant to this intervention
- K4 the principles and benefits of collaborative working with other agencies
- K5 the law relevant to the provision of immunisation as an intervention
- K6 national programmes and policies relevant to this case
- K7 the importance of, and how to achieve, effective communication about hazards and risks with the individuals and groups targeted by this intervention, in order to protect the population's health and wellbeing
- K8 how to communicate plans effectively to ensure they are understood and implemented
- K9 the nature, causes and occurrence of the disease(s) against which you are immunising
- K10 the principles of the modes of transmission, latency, incubation periods, exposure, herd and individual immunity as they apply to the disease(s) against which you are immunising
- K11 evidence of need for immunisation in this case
- K12 relevant Patient Specific Directions and Patient Group Directions
- K13 the principles of primary, secondary and tertiary prevention programmes as they relate to the disease(s) against which you are immunising
- K14 training programmes and materials in relation to the immunisation methods you are planning to use
- K15 the nature of outbreaks and incidents and how they are managed
- K16 methods of sourcing and storing the vaccine(s) and equipment you are planning to use
- K17 how to apply evidence and standards to the evaluation of interventions, programmes and services

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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: HWB1 Promotion of health and wellbeing and prevention of adverse effects on health and wellbeing

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