Paint the eye from life



Overview

This standard is about painting a prosthesis directly from the patient's living eye. 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 confirm that the equipment to be used is in safe working order, and has been correctly set up
- P2 identify and report any problems, beyond your level of responsibility or competence, to the relevant person
- P3 ensure that the patient and/or their representative understands the eye painting
- P4 confirm that your measurement of the iris is consistent with the patient's existing eye
- P5 confirm that your painting of the iris is consistent with the patient's existing eye
- P6 verify the quality of your work against the specification
- P7 identify any incorrectly processed items, and take relevant corrective action
- P8 record relevant information correctly and legibly, and store records correctly
- P9 carry out your work safely
- P10 maintain the required standards of cleanliness

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 the manufacturing specifications
- K2 where to find, and how to use, the Standard Operating Procedure for the work instruction
- K3 how to interpret the work instruction
- K4 when an out-of-specification eye prostheses can be re-worked
- K5 when equipment is in safe working order
- K6 how to operate equipment safely
- K7 the importance of ensuring that the patient understands the eye painting process
- K8 the importance of clear and appropriate communication with the patient
- K9 the specification for painting the eye
- K10 how to apply colour for prosthesis manufacture
- K11 your organisation's eye painting back-up procedures
- K12 your level of responsibility and competence
- K13 when to refer for advice and clarification, and report problems
- K14 your responsibilities under the Health and Safety at Work Act, and the implications of non-compliance
- K15 the required standards of cleanliness, and how to maintain them

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Additional Information

External links

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Dimension: HWB9 Equipment and devices to meet health and wellbeing needs

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