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Adapt healthcare equipment, medical devices, or products to meet individual's needs

Overview

This standard relates to working with individuals, relevant others and members of a multi-disciplinary team, where appropriate, to adapt equipment, medical devices, and/or products to meet individual needs.

Adaptation involves tailoring the equipment, device, product and/or system to meet the needs of the individual or their circumstances in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. The process may include a trial use of the equipment and/or device in the user environment.

Users of this standard will need to communicate effectively to meet individuals' needs and wishes and work in line with health and safety legislation, policy and practices.

Performance criteria

You must be able to:

P1. identify and agree the roles and responsibilities of yourself and others in adapting healthcare equipment, medical devices, or products to meet individual's needs
P2. provide support to the individual and carers and ensure health and safety measures are implemented at all times
P3. establish consent and access information on adapting healthcare equipment, medical devices, or products to meet individual's needs
P4. liaise with key stakeholders, individuals or agencies involved in the adaption process and check authorisation for the adaption
P5. check the equipment, device, product and/or system conform to the required quality standards, manufacturers guidelines and prescription prior to any authorised adaption
P6. identify and record the risks specific to the adaptation
P7. test and verify the required adaptation in line with the prescribed/authorised recommendations in accordance with approved protocols and procedures
P8. work with any relevant stakeholders during the adaption process for any additional adaption that is outside your competence and level of responsibility
P9. confirm the effective operation and safe working order of the equipment, device, product and associated system within expected performance parameters
P10. check the adaption does not affect any other associated system
P11. inform the relevant stakeholders and /or the individual that the adapted equipment, device, product and/or system is ready for fitting
P12. make arrangements to safely and securely store the equipment, item and/or associated systems prior to the fitting stage
P13. ensure comfort and acceptance of equipment, device, product and/or system and that it meets the needs of the individual
P14. dispose of waste in accordance with organisational procedures
P15. complete all relevant documentation required for adapting healthcare equipment, medical devices, or products to meet individual's needs

Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

K1. how to access and interpret all relevant work instructions, legislation, guidelines, policies, procedures and protocols needed to adapt healthcare equipment, medical devices, or products to meet individual's needs
K2. the scope and limitations of your own competence, responsibilities and accountability as it applies to your job role
K3. how to access and interpret all relevant work instructions and information
K4. specific procedures for reporting issues which are beyond your competence, responsibilities and accountability
K5. the hazards and risks which may arise during the execution of your work role and how you can minimise these
K6. how to adapt communication styles in ways which are appropriate to the needs of the individual
K7. the principles, practice and procedures associated with informed consent regarding adapting healthcare equipment, medical devices, or products
K8. how to liaise and work with the range of stakeholders related to adapting equipment, device, product and/or system
K9. relevant anatomy, physiology and associated knowledge applicable to the adaption of the prescribed equipment, device, product and/or system
K10. the procedures and systems within the organisation for the authorisation of any adaption to equipment, device, product and/or system
K11. the test and verification procedures for each type of equipment, device, product and/or system to ensure any adaption maintains its integrity, safety and is fit for the intended purpose
K12. the acceptable range of measurements used in the adaption to meet the specification of the original prescription
K13. how to evaluate the user environment when applicable, to inform the adaption of the equipment, device, product and/or system
K14. how the adaption may impact on the equipment, device, product and/or system and where to seek advice to address any identified issues/problems
K15. the wider clinical implications of changes made in alignment, fit and functionality
K16. how to dispose of waste in accordance with organisational procedures
K17. how to complete and safely store all relevant documentation in accordance with organisational requirements

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