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Introduction

This document has been created by members of the Society for Acute Medicine (SAM) Allied Health Professional (AHP) Network group, having identified a lack of national guidelines and frameworks for therapists working in Emergency Departments (ED) and Acute Medical Units (AMU), and therefore identified the development of national competencies as a priority. Leading Occupational Therapists and Physiotherapists from 3 London Acute Foundation Trusts established a collaborative working group to create a set of competencies specifically for Occupational Therapists and Physiotherapists of any banding working in this specialised clinical area. A Delphi Study was used to consult with highly experienced colleagues from around the United Kingdom to refine the competencies as well as the document format and layout.

It is acknowledged that individual therapy teams can differ greatly in staffing, skill mix, and roles. Furthermore how teams work can also greatly vary depending on local pathways and demographics of patients. It was therefore recognised that it would be a challenge to generate a document that meets the needs of all services. Nevertheless it was believed that a single competency document could be achieved and would provide a structured, trans-disciplinary framework for multi-professional career development whilst avoiding duplication of competence assessment.

Defining Competence:

The English Oxford Dictionary defines competence as "the possession of knowledge and skill required for a task". However ones competence to complete a task should not be seen as forever. To remain competent takes consistent performance, constant updating of practices when appropriate and adaptation as process and systems change and therefore requires on-going review by peers and supervisors.

Methodology:

Therapy processes undertaken to successfully provide comprehensive and appropriate therapy input for patients in ED and AMUs were critically analysed to formulate categories outlining required knowledge and skills. Individual knowledge and skills competencies were then identified and written into a single document. The working group then developed lists of knowledge and skill competencies using national guidelines and best practice documents. A Delphi study was then undertaken to review and develop these competencies further.

The Delphi technique is a common communication tool used relying on a panel of experts in a systematic method for "a quantitative option aimed at generating consensus. It solicits opinions from groups in an iterative process of answering questions. After each round the responses are summarised and redistributed for discussion in the next round. Through a process of convergence involving the identification of common trends and inspection of outliers, a consensus is reached" (Better Evaluation, 2014).

Therapists with at least 2 years experience of working in the emergency and acute medical clinical setting were contacted via the SAM AHP Network and invited to participate. Nineteen [19] highly specialised therapists totalling over 100 years of experience in this setting and from across Great Britain including Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales partook in the Delphi study. The study consisted of 4 rounds to develop and refine the initial set of competencies, and categorise each competency as either core or enhanced. A majority consensus was determined as above 70% agreement, where consensus was not reached the working group made a final decision regarding changes to the competencies.

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<u>Purpose of the Competency Framework:</u>

The document outlines a common framework of knowledge and skills which can have national application for all Occupational Therapists and Physiotherapists working in ED and AMU's, regardless of banding. The overall purpose is to:

- Identify knowledge and skills required to be competent to work in this clinical setting
- Identify staff learning and development needs
- Guide continuing professional development
- Allow transferring of skills and knowledge between employers
- Promote career progression

The document should be used in conjunction with respective professional body and HCPC guidelines, and local induction and other documents when appropriate.

Competencies have been divided into core and enhanced categories, but ultimately it would be for each Trust and Therapies team to decide which competencies are appropriate for each staff group within discipline or banding, based on their teams practice, processes and expectations. A tick box below the competency reference has been included for each Trust to select or deselect competencies as they wish, and would allow them to customise the document in this regard.

We have outlined the scope of each category as:

- **Core:** Competencies essential for the service to operate. Some competencies may only be acquired by one group of professionals but could reasonably be achieved by the other group of professionals with training and support from members of the immediate therapies team. They would primarily be for rotational staff to complete.
- **Enhanced:** These are more specialist skills and knowledge that are beneficial to support professionals in enhancing their role further within acute medicine once the core competencies have been achieved. These competencies may require training and support from outside the immediate therapies team to be achieved. They would primarily be for static therapists in the team.

Further Considerations:

Therapists in ED/AMU are exposed to a broad range of medical conditions and presentations. It is essential for competencies to reflect the extensive set of knowledge and skills required to incorporate most eventualities. Trusts have different expectations on teams working in this environment, therefore in order for this document to be useful and appropriate for any acute therapist, a broad, comprehensive range of competencies have been drawn up to support best practice.

The document is written in a broad, non-specific format for clarity, and to enable transferrable use across differing services to avoid drawn-out detailed descriptions and unlimited examples. This has resulted in a lengthy, but comprehensive set of knowledge & skill sets that departments can use in full, or adapt according to their own competency needs.

Many of the core skill sets have specifically been included to acknowledge the additional elements of time pressure, lack of space, stressful environment, limited MDT involvement, acutely unwell patients and high risk scenarios which are present in the ED/AMU clinical setting. It is not practical to provide competencies for specific conditions. The competencies ensure that all skills are covered for services which will use this as a standalone document regardless of other policies, appraisals or paperwork that may differ. Staff can include the document as part of their CPD portfolio and should be able to take it with them when moving between employers.



Using the Document:

Competencies have been divided into relevant topics, knowledge and skill, and core or enhanced. Each competency has a unique reference [REF] number that can be used to reference against evidence or during discussion. The check box below each competency reference can be selected/deselected by the Team Manager to adapt the document to different bands and groups of professionals or individuals if they wish, without removing or changing the competencies overall.

There is also an option to select the type of evidence provided for each competency, and for line managers to date and initial each competency once they have been achieved. At the end of each topic, a text box has been provided to add any further information regarding evidence or more specific information to support the achievement of competencies.

Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
1.1.1.	Example competency	Observed	Initials:
		Discussed	Date:
		Other	

It is not expected that every competency is observed or discussed. It is for the individual therapist and their line manager to decide how this is managed. However it is suggested that a range of evidence is used to demonstrate competence of each topic. At the start of the document, there is also space for the therapist and their line manager to include their details so that competence can be tracked across multiple settings.

Governance and Responsibility for Completing the Document:

The competencies are a shared document between the staff member and their line manager. The staff member is responsible for maintaining an accurate record of their continued professional development and competency to carry out their role. The line manager is responsible for assessing the competence of the staff member and ensuring that the document is updated to reflect the staff member's ability throughout their employment. It is therefore recommended that both the staff member and line manager retain a separate saved up to date version. It is also recommended that the line managers include contact details on the Line Managers page of the document to support communication and clarification with previous line managers, and where possible line managers are encouraged to directly hand on competencies to the next line manager.

Each new line manager should still ensure they make an assessment of new staff member's competencies, regardless of the availability of a document. When a staff member arrives with the competency document having been part completed, a line manager should then be ensuring that they agree with any competencies previously signed off from the previous workplaces. This may include the line manager requesting that the new staff member continues to work on a competency if they feel it is required. The document will provide a point of reference for new line managers but shouldn't be a reason to omit observation and assessment of their staff.



Therapist, Employment and Line Manager Details

By completing the Employer and Line Manager's details, this indicates that both employee and the line manager have read the introduction to the document and that they take shared responsibility to ensure that the document is accurate and is kept up to date throughout the staff member's employment.

Name of Therapist completing competencies:

Signature of Therapist completing competencies:

Name and Address of Trust	Position Held	Start Date	Line Managers Full Name and Job Title	Line Managers Signature	Line Managers Email Address / Telephone Number



1. I	nformation Gathering						
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE			CORE SKILL	S	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
1.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding for the range of common acute medical conditions, symptoms, investigations and treatments found in the ED/AMU setting.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	1.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to receive referral and ask appropriate questions regarding case.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
1.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of local documentation/ information systems to gain information about patients in the ED/AMU setting.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	1.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to gather appropriate information from available sources both from the hospital MDT and the community.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
1.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of multi-disciplinary team [MDT] members involved in a patients care in the ED/AMU setting, and their roles both within the hospital and community.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	1.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to analyse information in order to determine appropriateness, prioritise and understand any precautions for therapy involvement.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
1.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of the process for gathering detailed social, functional and environmental history within the ED/AMU setting.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	1.2.4.	Demonstrates ability to gather information from a patient and other sources regarding their background medical and social history, functional abilities and their presenting condition.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
1.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding for the use of information	Observed	Initials:	1.2.5.	Demonstrates ability to identify specific items of	Observed	Initials:



Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref 1.2.6. ⊠	Competency Demonstrates ability to challenge reasoning for referrals from MDT.	Evidence Observed Discussed	Signed Initials: Date:
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1.1.6.	Demonstrates understanding of when further collateral history is required and how to access this information from multiple sources in the ED/AMU setting.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				
	gathering to identify concerns regarding cognition.	Discussed Other	Date:		equipment or medical appliances used at home that are required to promote function and health in hospital.	Discussed Other	Date:



2. Sc	reening and Prioritisation						
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE			CORE SKILLS	5	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
2.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of best practice and national guidelines for management of	Observed Discussed	Initials: Date:	2.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to prioritise patients according to local policy and their clinical	Observed Discussed	Initials: Date:
	patients in acute and emergency medicine.	Other			need.	Other	
2.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of the local prioritisation policy.	Observed	Initials:	2.2.2. 	Demonstrates ability to liaise with team members regarding	Observed	Initials:
		Discussed	Date:		caseload management	Discussed	Date:
	Other 1.1.3. Demonstrates understanding of			Other			
2.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of the reasons for certain medical	Observed	Initials:	2.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to appropriately delegate tasks or	Observed	Initials:
	investigations and how this may	Discussed	Date:		patient caseload to meet the	Discussed	Date:
	impact on the patients hospital stay.	Other			needs of patients and the service.	Other	
2.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of common conditions that would	Observed	Initials:				
	indicate the need for therapy	Discussed	Date:				
	assessment.	Other					
	ENHANCED KNOW	/LEDGE			ENHANCED SK	ILLS	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
2.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of relevant national and local	Observed	Initials:				
	clinical targets that may impact effective provision of therapy services.	☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Date:				





3. Clini	cal Observations						
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE			CORE SKILL	S	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Si
3.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of the purpose of a National Early Warning System [NEWS] or local alternative.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	3.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to assess and record patient vital signs using appropriate technique.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials Date:
3.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of the normal parameters for vital signs and physiology underpinning these.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	3.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to liaise with the MDT in the event of any deterioration in vital signs and escalate concerns through appropriate channels.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials Date:
3.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of the importance for assessing and monitoring patient vital signs.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	3.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to manage medical equipment in use by the patient.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials Date:
3.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of clinical observation chart features and method of calculating scores.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	3.2.4.	Demonstrates ability to adapt assessment and treatment in the event of any clinical observations and escalate concerns promptly.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials Date:
3.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of the importance for safe use of oxygen therapy apparatus.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	3.2.5.	Demonstrates ability to recognise the acutely unwell patient, take prompt actions and escalate accordingly.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials Date:



3.1.6.	Demonstrates understanding of respiratory, cardio-vascular and neurological contra-indications to assessment.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:	3.2.6.	Demonstrates ability to safely manage oxygen therapy apparatus in accordance with medical prescription.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:
3.1.7.	Demonstrates understanding of the importance of awaiting completed investigations and reports where indicated prior to commencing assessment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				
3.1.8.	Demonstrates understanding that some patients have abnormal parameters of vital signs and how this can impact	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				
	on function.						
	on function. ENHANCED KNOW	/LEDGE			ENHANCED SK	ILLS	
Ref		/LEDGE Evidence	Signed	Ref	ENHANCED SK Competency	ILLS Evidence	Signed
Ref 3.1.9. ⊠	ENHANCED KNOW		Signed Initials: Date:	Ref 3.2.7. ☑			Signed Initials: Date:



4. Mus	culo-skeletal Assessment including							
	CORE KNOWLE				CORE SKILLS			
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	
4.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of the basic anatomy of the	Observed	Initials:	4.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to assess functional range of movement	Observed	Initials:	
	peripheral joints.	Discussed	Date:		[ROM] of the limbs.	Discussed	Date:	
		Other				Other		
4.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of the anatomy of the spine.	Observed	Initials:	4.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to assess strength using the oxford	Observed	Initials:	
	the anatomy of the spine.	Discussed	Date:		grading scale.	Discussed	Date:	
		Other				Other		
				4.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to provide basic exercises for improving	Observed	Initials:	
					upper or lower limb ROM,	Discussed	Date:	
					strength and balance.	Other		
	ENHANCED KNOW	/LEDGE		ENHANCED SKILLS				
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	
4.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of the different reasons for joint,	Observed	Initials:					
	limb and back pain.	Discussed	Date:					
		Other						
4.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of red flags associated with back	Observed	Initials:					
	pain and contra-indication for	Discussed	Date:					
	assessment & treatment.	Other						



4.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of yellow flags associated with back pain and how they may impact on treatment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				



5. Fund	ctional Assessment						
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE			CORE SKILL	S	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
5.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of the components for a functional assessment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	5.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to identify and demonstrate safe manual handling techniques using appropriately identified equipment safely and required level of assistance needed.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
5.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of the association between physical and cognitive functioning.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	5.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to identify environmental hazards and manage them appropriately.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
5.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of the importance for orientating patients with cognitive difficulties in the ED/AMU setting.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	5.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to assess patient functional ability and analyse the method of movement, type of furniture and equipment used: Bed mobility	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
5.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of weight limits for all equipment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		 Transfers (including bed, chair, commode, toilet) Balance: (including sitting, standing, static, dynamic) Mobility and gait (including 		
5.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of equipment available to facilitate functional performance.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		 Indoor, outdoor) Stairs Activities of daily living (including Personal care and toileting) In an environment pressured by noise and time constraints. 		



5.1.6.	Demonstrates understanding of various manual handling techniques and equipment available.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	5.2.4.	Demonstrates ability to identify and provide appropriate equipment and strategies for patients to perform these tasks safely with or without assistance	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	
5.1.7.	Demonstrates understanding of hazards and risks and maintaining patient & therapist safety.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:			 Bed mobility Transfers (including bed, chair, commode, toilet) Balance: (including sitting, standing, static, dynamic) 		
5.1.8.	Demonstrates understanding of functional assessment tools, outcome measures and standardised tests.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		 Mobility and gait (including Indoor, outdoor) Stairs Activities of daily living (including Personal care and toileting. 			
				5.2.5.	Demonstrates ability to complete an assessment in a clinical setting and relate the assessment to how the patient will perform in their own environment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	
				5.2.6. 	Demonstrates ability to adjust methods of assessment according to patient performance and presentation.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	



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5.2.7. 	Demonstrates ability to use information gathered to:	Observed	Initials:
	 Identify appropriate 	Discussed	Date:
	equipment required for assessment	Other	
	 Ensure recommended braces/slings/POP in situ 		
	 Follow appropriate precautions during assessment/Contraindicatio 		
	 Identify the need for multiple staff to assist assessment 		



6. Cogr	nitive Assessment								
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE		CORE SKILLS					
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed		
6.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of common neurological and medical conditions that may cause acute and chronic cognitive impairment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	6.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to identify need for, and complete appropriate cognitive screens or formal assessments.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
6.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of potential inaccuracies in patient information giving and ensure accurate details are gathered from support networks.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	6.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to identify areas of risk when discharging patients with identified cognitive impairments.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
6.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of the different types of dementia.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:						
6.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of delirium and difference with dementia and/or other mental health conditions such as depression.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:						
6.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of best practice for management of patients with cognitive impairments in the ED / AMU environment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:						

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6.1.6.	Demonstrates understanding of appropriate strategies to reduce anxiety, distress and disorientation in patients with cognitive impairment.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:			
6.1.7.	Demonstrates understanding of the Mental Capacity Act and how mental capacity may impact on decision making and discharge planning.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:			
6.1.8.	Demonstrates understanding of Deprivation Of Liberty Safeguarding.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:			
6.1.9.	Demonstrates understanding of the role of Independent Mental Capacity Advocates [IMCA] and Power Of Attorney [POA] in supporting decision making.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:			
6.1.10.	Demonstrates understanding of community support and memory services available to follow people up on discharge to address any undiagnosed impairments, and those with diagnosis of dementia.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:			



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Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed		
6.1.11.	Demonstrates understanding of the brain regions and their roles in relation to cognitive function.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	6.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to assess cognitive function through functional assessments.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
6.1.12.	Demonstrates understanding of common medications that may impact on patients' cognition.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	6.2.4.	Demonstrates ability to recognise differences in current cognitive function in comparison to known cognitive function.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
6.1.13.	Demonstrates understanding of the various cognitive screens and assessments that are used.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	6.2.5.	Demonstrates ability to assess for delirium and use an appropriate standardised assessment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
6.1.14.	Demonstrates understanding of conditions that may mimic cognitive impairment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	6.2.6.	Demonstrate ability to assess mental capacity regarding decisions involving managing risk.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
6.1.15.	Demonstrates understanding of components of cognition.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	6.2.7.	Demonstrates ability to make decision of less restrictive option in the patient's best interest regarding decisions involving managing risk.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
6.1.16.	Demonstrates understanding of different types of diagnostic investigations for cognitive impairment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:						





7. Anal	ysis and Clinical Reasoning						
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE			CORE SKIL	LS	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
7.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of multiple social and environmental factors that can impact on function.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	7.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to analyse information gathered to identify patients who require therapy input.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:
7.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of the difference between acute, chronic and acute on chronic conditions and their impact on function.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	7.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to analyse information gathered to prioritise patient caseloads for differing priorities.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:
7.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of the steps and processes of clinical reasoning.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	7.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to identify whether a patient is medically fit for assessment and discuss with the most appropriate professional.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:
				7.2.4.	Demonstrates ability to analyse current presentation and function against known baseline and support/set up.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:
				7.2.5.	Demonstrates ability to analyse patient functional presentation back to current medical status and past medical history.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:



		7.2.6.	Demonstrates ability to analyse information gathered from subjective and objective assessments to draw conclusions, set SMART goals, formulate a problem list and action plan.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:
		7.2.7.	Demonstrates ability to analyse the impact that identified impairments will have on the patient's functional ability and safety at home.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
		7.2.8.	Demonstrates ability to liaise with the medical team regarding new/acute changes in function, and discuss possible causes for these.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:



8. Risk	Identification and Management						
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE			CORE SKILLS	S	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
8.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of the common risks experienced in the ED / AMU environment in relation to admission to, and discharge from hospital: • Falls and fractures • Illness / injury • Environmental • Functional decline • Pressure ulcers • Self neglect • Mental capacity • Safe guarding and protection of vulnerable adult End of life care	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	8.2.1. 8.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to undertake comprehensive assessment of multiple risk factors to identify current and future risks associated with admission to, and discharge from, hospital. Demonstrates ability to determine overall risk to patients and other persons involved in their care, and make clinical decisions based on one-off rapid assessment in clinical area, when often difficult to simulate existing home set up.	Observed Discussed Other Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date: Initials: Date:
8.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of Adult and Children Safeguarding and local referral pathways to escalate concerns in the ED/AMU environment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	8.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to anticipate the severity of risk, likelihood of occurrence of risk, and acceptability for the level of risk.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
8.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of how the patients' functional status can impact on the level of risk and that this can differ from person to person.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	8.2.4.	Demonstrates ability to identify risks related to the patient's home environment from information gathered.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:



8.1.4. 8.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of appropriate channels to report concerns regarding specific risk factors. Demonstrates understanding of risks associated with admission to hospital for frail patients.	Observed Discussed Other Observed Discussed	Initials: Date: Initials: Date:	8.2.5. 8.2.6.	Demonstrates ability to provide appropriate recommendations and onward referrals to effectively manage risk factors on discharge. Demonstrates ability to manage challenging behaviours from patients or relatives.	Observed Discussed Other Observed Discussed	Initials: Date: Initials: Date:
8.1.6.	Demonstrates understanding of the importance for prevention and risk factors for prevention and development of pressure ulcerations.	Other Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:			Other	
8.1.7.	Demonstrates understanding of need to promote function in order to reduce risks associated with skin integrity.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				
8.1.8.	Demonstrates understanding regarding areas of skin most at risk most at risk of pressure ulceration.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				
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Ref 8.1.9. ⊠	Competency Demonstrates understanding of relevant national and local guidelines and policies regarding risk assessment and	Discussed	Signed Initials: Date:	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
	management of older people and people with dementia.	Other					



8.1.10.	Demonstrates understanding of how the combination of risk factors will inform overall risk differently for each individual.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:			
8.1.11.	Demonstrates understanding of how specific medical conditions can inform likelihood and severity of these risk factors.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:			
8.1.12.	Demonstrates understanding of available resources, equipment, interventions and supports that can reduce specific risks factors.	Discussed	Initials: Date:			
8.1.13.	Demonstrates understanding of available assessment tools to evaluate these risk factors within local setting.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:			
8.1.14.	Demonstrates understanding of best practice for continence management.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:			



9. Inter	ventions						
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE			CORE SKILL	S	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
9.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of guidelines and care pathways	Observed	Initials:	9.2.1. 	Demonstrates ability to identify an appropriate intervention	Observed	Initials:
	for common conditions seen by the service.	☐ Discussed☐ Other	Date:		plans for each patient that both reflect the needs of the patient and discharge planning.	☐ Discussed☐ Other	Date:
9.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of available community services to facilitate discharge.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	9.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to identify and provide aids and equipment required for discharge using local processes.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
9.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of referral, paperwork and process for internal and community services.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	9.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to provide instruction, strategies and education regarding function, safety and services to patients, carers or other appropriate persons.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
9.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of local availability and process for mobility aid and equipment provision.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	9.2.4.	Demonstrates ability to provide accurate and relevant referral information to community services or the MDT in facilitating discharge (see communication and documentation).	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
9.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of telecare equipment available and how to access these.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	9.2.5.	Demonstrates ability to problem solve when services or equipment are not available to facilitate discharge.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:



9.1.6.	Demonstrates understanding of local sources of advice and information to provide patients and families.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:	9.2.6.	Demonstrates ability to appropriately identify the most appropriate person(s) to provide information, education and strategies.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:
9.1.7.	Demonstrates understanding of the importance for early discharge planning.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	9.2.7.	Demonstrates ability to delegate and implement interventions within a reasonable time frame that reflects the needs of the service.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
9.1.8.	Demonstrates understanding of local lone working and home/environmental assessment policies and guidelines.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				
9.1.9.	Demonstrates understanding of the use of education and resources available to assist with condition management.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				
9.1.10.	Demonstrates understanding of energy conservation techniques.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				
9.1.11.	Demonstrates understanding of how to access local specialist therapy interventions.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				





10. Care o-ordination and MDT Working									
CORE KNOWLEDGE					CORE SKILLS				
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed		
10.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of the role for therapies in co- ordinating the patient's care in the ED / AMU environment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	10.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to independently manage and prioritise own workload including patient care, administration, teaching and training and supervisory responsibilities.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
10.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of the members of the MDT and their role in patient care co- ordination.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	10.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to ensure that patients/carers are referred to other relevant services as appropriate.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
10.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of care co-ordination in facilitating patient flow and discharge planning.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	10.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to identify potential barriers to facilitating discharge and takes appropriate actions.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
10.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of the importance for confidentially, equality and diversity when working in the ED / AMU environment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	10.2.4.	Demonstrates ability to advocate for the patient and maintain objectivity at all times.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
				10.2.5.	Demonstrates ability to work within the limits of own knowledge and skill while seeking advice and support from the MDT as appropriate.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		



				10.2.6.	Demonstrates ability to discuss issues or complex cases appropriately with supervisor/line manager or other relevant senior colleagues.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
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				10.2.7.	Demonstrates ability to co- ordinate and lead patient related case conferences and multi-agency team meetings.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
				10.2.8.	Demonstrates ability to negotiate on a range of issues and situations, recognising and resolving potential conflict and breakdown when it occurs.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
				10.2.9.	Demonstrates ability to anticipate periods of high demand and manage caseload accordingly.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:



11. Communication and Documentation									
CORE KNOWLEDGE					CORE SKILLS				
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed		
11.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of the importance for Clinical Governance in the ED / AMU environment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	11.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to build rapport that facilitates good communication between therapist, patients and family/carers throughout the therapeutic process.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
11.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of the importance for effective communication in the ED / AMU environment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	11.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to effectively communicate therapy process, plan and recommendations to patient, family and MDT members.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
11.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of how own behaviour and body language can influence communication with others.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	11.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to negotiate with the MDT or external services to facilitate effective discharge.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
11.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of the importance of listening to and involving family and carers in planning care and decision making.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	11.2.4.	Demonstrates ability to uses a range of appropriate strategies to communicate with those who have difficulties communicating.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
11.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of behaviours that may indicate important messages such as pain, distress, or confusion in a person who is unable to communicate verbally.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	11.2.5.	Demonstrates ability to identify and use strategies to communicate effectively with people with cognitive impairments.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		



11.1.6.	Demonstrates understanding of importance for clear and consistent communication, and the need to communicate with those who have difficulties communicating and those in distress.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	11.2.6.	Demonstrates ability to collaborate with family carers and/or paid carers to support communication with a person who has difficulties communicating.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
11.1.7.	Demonstrates understanding of local documentation procedures and modalities.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	11.2.7.	Demonstrates ability to motivate patients and/or carers to engage in the therapeutic process.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:
11.1.8.	Demonstrates understanding of resources available to aid communication with patients, family or colleagues.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	11.2.8.	Demonstrates ability to communicate empathetically and sensitively with people in distress, in a way which is calming and reassuring, and seeks to reduce their distress.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
11.1.9.	Demonstrates understanding of local language interpretation services and how to access theses.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	11.2.9.	Demonstrates ability to maintain up to date and accurate documentation relevant to therapy information, assessment findings and recommendations as per local policy.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
				11.2.10.	Demonstrates ability to complete accurate and relevant referrals required for discharge in a timely manner.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:



				11.2.11.	Demonstrates ability to keep accurate statistics on your activity.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
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				11.2.12.	Demonstrates ability to identify and uses a range of appropriate strategies that aim to manage conflict and disagreement with patients, family and other MDT	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		



12. Frailty									
CORE KNOWLEDGE					CORE SKILLS				
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed		
12.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of the ageing process and frailty.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	12.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to refer to, and liaise with, geriatrician consultants where frailty is associated with significant complexity, diagnostic, uncertainty or challenging symptom control or challenging behaviour.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
12.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of frailty syndrome and importance of recognising frailty.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	12.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to liaise with Pharmacy or Medical team regarding medication review.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		
12.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of the need to address reversible medical conditions.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:						
12.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of the impact of polypharmacy and importance of medication reviews for older people with frailty.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:						
12.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of the importance of a thorough multi-factorial falls assessment for patients with frailty.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:						



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12.1.6.	Demonstrates understanding of and develop person centred	Observed	Initials:					
	goals to manage frailty in older	Discussed	Date:					
	people.	Other						
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12.1.7.	Demonstrates understanding of the purpose and components of	Observed	Initials:		12.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to contribute to a comprehensive	Observed	Initials:
_	Comprehensive Geriatric	Discussed	Date:		_	geriatric assessment by	Discussed	Date:
	Assessment.	Other				undertaking a comprehensive therapy assessment including	Other	
						medical, physical, cognitive,,		
						psychological and social needs,		
						and communicating the		
12.1.8.	Domonstrates understanding of		Initials:			outcome with the MDT.		
12.1.6.	Demonstrates understanding of national guidelines related to	Observed	IIIIIIdis.					
	frailty.	Discussed	Date:					
		Other						
12.1.9.	Demonstrates understanding of	Observed	Initials:					
\boxtimes	the difference between frailty,							
	long term conditions and	Discussed	Date:					
	disability.	Other						
12.1.10.	Demonstrates understanding of the impact of other factors i.e.	Observed	Initials:					
	ETOH/Low Mood on patients	Discussed	Date:					
	with frailty.	Other						



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12.1.11.	Demonstrates understanding of different assessments for identifying frailty.	Observed Discussed	Initials: Date:			
		Other				



13. Falls								
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE				CORE SKILLS	5	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Re	ef	Competency	Evidence	Signed
13.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of the factors that may contribute to falls.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	13.2	.1.	Demonstrates ability to assess for orthostatic hypotension, and interpret the results.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:
13.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of medical conditions and medications that may increase a risk of falls.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:	13.2	.2.	Demonstrates ability to complete a comprehensive falls assessment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
13.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of NICE guidelines regarding falls assessment and management.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:	13.2	.3.	Demonstrates ability to use appropriate tools to assess falls risk.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:
13.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of local guidelines and falls pathways.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:	13.2	.4.	Demonstrates ability to refer appropriately to community services.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
13.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of assessment tools (standardised and non-standardised) available to identify falls risk.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	13.2	.5.	Demonstrates ability to identify cause of falls and implement appropriate management plan when able.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
13.1.6.	Demonstrates understanding of community falls services available.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:	13.2	.6.	Demonstrates ability to effectively communicate with the MDT regarding patient falls risk and management plan.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:



13.1.7.	Demonstrates understanding of equipment available to minimise or monitor falls.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	13.2.7.	Demonstrates ability to recognise reduced confidence, self limitation of activity and fear of falling during assessment.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:
				13.2.8.	Demonstrates ability to appropriately manage a fall on the ward.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:
				13.2.9.	Demonstrates ability to provide advice and education to patients and families on falls management and equipment.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
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Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
Ref 13.1.8.			Signed Initials: Date:	Ref			Signed
13.1.8.	Competency Demonstrates understanding of current thinking/research in the	Evidence Observed Discussed	Initials:	Ref			Signed





14. Resp	iratory Conditions							
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE				COR	E SKILLS	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed		Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
14.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of the anatomy & physiology of the Respiratory System.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:					
14.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of common Respiratory conditions and impact on function.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	-				
14.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of the reasons for oxygen therapy, contra-indications and the impact of oxygen use during therapy intervention.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:					
14.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of the signs and symptoms of the breathless patient.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:					
14.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of the role of Respiratory Physiotherapy and when/how to refer where appropriate.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:					



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14.1.6.	Demonstrates understanding of the impact of the results of the chest x-ray on assessment &	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed	Initials: Date:	14.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to review and interpret relevant information on a chest x-ray	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed	Initials: Date:
	treatment.	Other	butc.		report and the impact of the results on the patient prior to assessment & treatment.	Other	Dutc.
14.1.7.	Demonstrates understanding of appropriate questions/outcome measure to assess the breathless patient at rest and during functional activities.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	14.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to implement techniques that aim to reduce breathlessness in a respiratory patient at rest and during function.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
				14.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to use appropriate outcome measures to assess the breathless patient.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:



15. Cardi	ovascular [CV] Conditions							
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE				CORE SKILLS	S	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Re	f	Competency	Evidence	Signed
15.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of the anatomy & physiology of	Observed	Initials:					
	the CV System.	Discussed	Date:					
		Other						
15.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of the importance of recognising	Observed	Initials:					
	common CV diseases & Risk factors.	Discussed	Date:					
		U Other						
15.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of the need to have an awareness	Observed	Initials:					
	of common CV medications and	Discussed	Date:					
	implications.	Other						
	ENHANCED KNOW	/LEDGE				ENHANCED SK	ILLS	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Re	f	Competency	Evidence	Signed
15.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of features of a normal ECG	Observed	Initials:					
	rhythm.	Discussed	Date:					
		Other						



16. Orth	opaedic Conditions							
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE				CORE SKILL	S	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed		Ref	Competency	Evidence	
16.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of bone and skeleton anatomy.	Observed Discussed	Initials: Date:		16.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to adapt assessment and treatment depending on injury and site of fracture.	Observed Discussed	Ini Da
16.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of the signs and symptoms of a fracture.	Other Observed Discussed	Initials:	-	16.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to assess a patient's functioning with consideration for their weightbearing status.	Other Observed Discussed	Ini Da
16.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of the most common types of fractures affecting patients with frailty.	Other Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:			weightbearing status.	Other	
16.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of the signs and symptoms of infected wound.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:					
16.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of different Weight Bearing status.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:					



16.1.6.	Demonstrates understanding of local trauma pathways and inform specialist trauma teams.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				
	ENHANCED KNOW	/LEDGE			ENHANCED SK	ILLS	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
16.1.7.	Demonstrates understanding of language used in results and	Observed	Initials:	16.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to fit a variety of surgical appliances in	Observed	Initials:
	reports for plain film x-ray, MRI	Discussed	Date:		line with local policies.	Discussed	Date:
	and CT imaging.	Other				Other	
16.1.8.	Demonstrates understanding of different types of fractures.	Observed	Initials:				
	,,	Discussed	Date:				
		Other					
16.1.9.	Demonstrates understanding of fractured ribs on respiratory	Observed	Initials:				
_	function and relevant local pathways.	☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Date:				



17. Neur	17. Neurological Conditions											
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE					CORE SKILL	S				
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed		Ref	Competency		Evidence	Signed			
17.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of the anatomy & physiology of the central and peripheral nervous system	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:									
17.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of the components for a neurological assessment	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	-								
17.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of common head and brain Injuries	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:									
17.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of common neurological conditions and associated common symptoms	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:									
17.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of local acute Neurology pathways and how to access acute neurology services.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:									



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17.1.6.	Demonstrates understanding of post head injury advice for patients being discharged.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				
	ENHANCED KNOW	VLEDGE			ENHANCED SK	ILLS	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
17.1.7.	Demonstrates understanding of common Neurology	Observed	Initials:	17.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to carry out a neurological assessment	Observed	Initials:
	Medications	Discussed	Date:		and problem list & treatment	Discussed	Date:
		Other			plan	Other	
				17.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to use appropriate questions/outcome	Observed	Initials:
					measure to assess Neurological	Discussed	Date:
					patient	Other	
				17.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to carry out appropriate standardised	Observed	Initials:
					assessment such as Post	Discussed	Date:
					Traumatic Amnesia assessment	Other	



18. Pain	Assessment and Management						
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE			CORE SKILL	S	
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
18.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of contra-indications and side effects experienced by elderly and frail patients with common analgesics.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	18.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to use the numeric rating scale effectively to assess pain.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
18.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of psycho-social factors that can influence the experience of pain.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	18.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to use the descriptive rating scale effectively to assess pain.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
				18.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to use the visual analogue scale effectively to assess pain.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
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Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed	Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed
18.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of neuroceptive and neuropathic pain.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				
18.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of the WHO analgesic ladder and common analgesics.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				



18.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of pain management techniques.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:			



19. Rena	l Conditions										
CORE KNOWLEDGE					CORE SKILLS						
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed		Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed			
					19.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to relate diagnosis of urine tract	Observed	Initials:			
						infection to functional	Discussed	Date:			
						assessment.	Other				
	ENHANCED KNOV	VLEDGE				ENHANCED SKILLS					
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed		Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed			
19.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of the importance of fluid	Observed	Initials:								
	balance/Input & Output.	Discussed	Date:								
		Other									
19.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of the use and positive / negative	Observed	Initials:								
	results for a mid stream and	Discussed	Date:								
	catheter Urine Dipstick test.	Other									
19.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of signs and symptoms of	Observed	Initials:								
_	common renal conditions.	Discussed	Date:								
		Other									
19.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of Urea and Electrolyte blood	Observed	Initials:								
_	results and the impact that	Discussed	Date:								
	these can have on physical land cognitive functioning.	Other									





20. Ment	20. Mental Health and Learning Disabilities										
	CORE KNOWLE	DGE			CORE SKILLS						
Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed		Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed			
20.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of common mental health conditions experienced by people who present to the Emergency Department and Acute Medical Unit.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:		20.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to seek help and support to ensure the immediate safety of someone experiencing a mental health crisis.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:			
20.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of signs and symptoms of depression.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:								
20.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of signs and symptoms of anxiety.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:								
20.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of signs and symptoms drug or alcohol dependency and withdrawal.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:								
20.1.5.	Demonstrates understanding of the signs and symptoms of a mental health crisis.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:								



signs and symptoms of psychosis.	Discussed	Date:			non-standardised or	Discussed	Date:			
	☐ Observed			\boxtimes	person's mental health using	☐ Observed				
Demonstrates understanding of	Chaamia d	Initials:		20.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to assess a	Chaamia d	Initials:			
Competency	Evidence	Signed		Ref	Competency	Evidence	Signed			
ENHANCED KNOW	/LEDGE			ENHANCED SKILLS						
Disability Hospital passports.	Other									
as "This is Me" and Learning	Discussed	Date:								
Demonstrates understanding of person centred documents such	Observed	Initials:								
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20.1.11.	Demonstrates understanding of signs and symptoms of psychosis.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	20.2.3.	Demonstrate ability to analyse information from the mental health assessment and makes a judgement in the immediate situation when dealing with and supporting a person with mental health problems experiencing a mental health crisis and refers to appropriates service.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
				20.2.4.	Demonstrate ability to facilitate person centred decision making with those with mental health problems, applying the mental capacity act where appropriate.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:
				20.2.5.	Demonstrates ability to facilitate person centred decision making with those with a learning disability, applying the mental capacity act where appropriate.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:



21. End (of Life Care									
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21.1.1.	Demonstrates understanding of Palliative Care team role and how to access this service.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:	21.2.1.	Demonstrates ability to recognise signs of the dying patient.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:			
				21.2.2.	Demonstrates ability to recognise need and refer patients to the palliative care team.	☐ Observed ☐ Discussed ☐ Other	Initials: Date:			
				21.2.3.	Demonstrates ability to recognise when therapy intervention is not appropriate for the dying patient.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:			
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21.1.2.	Demonstrates understanding of the principles of the 'Gold Standard Framework' and NICE guidelines for End of life care.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:							



21.1.3.	Demonstrates understanding of advance care planning and the Gold Standard Framework for End of Life care.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				
21.1.4.	Demonstrates understanding of how to recognise patients with end stage chronic diseases and how these conditions may impact on decisions around treatment of acute illness.	Observed Discussed Other	Initials: Date:				



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