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| Overview | This standard outlines the requirements when supporting individuals to participate in recreational activities. This includes supporting individuals to identify which recreational activities to pursue, supporting them to participate in the activities they choose and working together to review the activities. |

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| **Performance criteria**  You must be able to:  *You must be able to:*  *You must be able to:*  *You must be able to:* | Support individuals to identify recreational activities that suit them   1. work with the individual in ways that promote active participation, involving key people and others where necessary 2. support the individual to identify their recreational interests, preferences and needs 3. work with the individual to assess whether, and in what capacity, the individual is able to continue with existing recreational activities 4. support the individual to identify new recreational activities likely to meet their preferences and needs 5. work with the individual to identify any risks involved in recreational activities that they wish to take up or continue with 6. support the individual to identify any adjustments or alternatives to chosen recreational activities that will help to minimise the risks   **Support individuals to participate in recreational activities**   1. provide support for the individual to try out new recreational activities 2. agree with the individual the support they require to continue participating in existing or newly chosen recreational activities 3. carry out your agreed activities in supporting the individual’s participation 4. implement any risk management plans associated with the activities, in partnership with the individual 5. encourage continued participation where the individual is encountering difficulties 6. seek further information and support to enable the individual to participate in their chosen recreational activities, taking account of any difficulties and any anticipated changes that may affect their participation in future   **Support individuals to review the value of recreational activities**   1. work with the individual, key people and others to agree how participation in recreational activities should be reviewed, including who will be involved and how information will be handled 2. encourage the individual to communicate their views on the recreational activities 3. encourage the individual to communicate any changes required according to their preferences and needs. 4. carry out your responsibilities in the review   Implement changes to increase participation in recreational activities   1. implement any agreed changes for which you are responsible in order to increase the individual’s participation in recreational activities 2. take appropriate action where changes outside your responsibility are not implemented 3. monitor the effectiveness of changes made 4. complete records and reports on any changes made, in accordance with legal and work setting requirements |

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| Knowledge and understanding  You need to know and understand:  You need to know and understand:  You need to know and understand:  You need to know and understand:  You need to know and understand:  You need to know and understand:  You need to know and understand:  You need to know and understand:  You need to know and understand: | **Rights**   1. work setting requirements on equality, diversity, discrimination and human rights 2. your role supporting rights, choices, wellbeing and active participation 3. your duty to report anything you notice people do, or anything they fail to do, that could obstruct individuals’ rights 4. the actions to take if you have concerns about discrimination 5. the rights that individuals have to make complaints and be supported to do so   **How you carry out your work**   1. codes of practice, standards, frameworks and guidance relevant to your work and the content of this standard 2. the main items of legislation that relate to the content of this standard within your work role 3. your own background, experiences and beliefs that may affect the way you work 4. your own roles and responsibilities with their limits and boundaries 5. who you must report to at work 6. the roles and responsibilities of other people with whom you work 7. how to find out about procedures and agreed ways of working in your work setting 8. how to make sure you follow procedures and agreed ways of working 9. the meaning of person centred working and the importance of knowing and respecting each person as an individual 10. the prime importance of the interests and well-being of the individual 11. the individual’s cultural and language context 12. how to work in ways that build trust with people 13. how to work in ways that support the active participation of individuals in their own care and support 14. how to work in ways that respect individuals’ dignity, personal beliefs and preferences 15. how to work in partnership with people 16. what you should do when there are conflicts and dilemmas in your work 17. how and when you should seek support in situations beyond your experience and expertise   **Theory for practice**   1. the **factors that may affect the health, wellbeing and development of individuals** you care for or support 2. how these affect individuals and how they may affect different individuals differently 3. the main stages of human development   **Communication**   1. factors that can have a positive or negative effect on the way people communicate 2. different methods of communicating   **Personal and professional development**   1. why it is important to reflect on how you do your work 2. how to use your reflections to improve the way you work   **Health and Safety**   1. your work setting policies and practices for health, safety and security 2. practices that help to prevent and control infection in the context of this standard   **Safe-guarding**   1. the duty that everyone has to raise concerns about possible harm or abuse, poor or discriminatory practices 2. signs and symptoms of harm or abuse 3. how and when to report any concerns about abuse, poor or discriminatory practice, resources or operational difficulties 4. what to do if you have reported concerns but no action is taken to address them   **Handling information**   1. legal requirements, policies and procedures for the security and confidentiality of information 2. work setting requirements for recording information and producing reports including the use of electronic communication 3. what confidentiality means 4. how to maintain confidentiality in your work 5. when and how to pass on information   Specific to this NOS   1. the types of recreational activities that are appropriate to the people with whom you work and the care environment in which you work 2. ways to find out about individuals’ preferences regarding types of recreational activities 3. how to encourage individuals to participate in recreational activities 4. the role which recreation plays in the health and social well-being of individuals 5. the risks, dangers and difficulties associated with different equipment and materials in relation to specific individuals 6. methods that will encourage individuals to use their strengths and potential to participate in recreational activities |

**Additional Information**

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| Scope/range related to performance criteria | The details in this field are explanatory statements of scope and/or examples of possible contexts in which the NOS may apply; they are not to be regarded as range statements required for achievement of the NOS.  Note: Where an individual finds it difficult or impossible to express their own preferences and make decisions about their life, achievement of this standard may require the involvement of advocates or others who are able to represent the views and best interests of the individual.  Where there are language differences within the work setting, achievement of this standard may require the involvement of interpreters or translation services.  **Active participation** is a way of working that regards individuals as active partners in their own care or support rather than passive recipients. Active participation recognises each individual’s right to participate in the activities and relationships of everyday life as independently as possible  The **individual** is the person you support or care for in your work  **Key people** are those who are important to an individual and who can make a difference to his or her well-being. Key people may include family, friends, carers and others with whom the individual has a supportive relationship  **Others** are your colleagues and other professionals whose work contributes to the individual’s well-being and who enable you to carry out your role |

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| Scope/range related to knowledge and understanding | The details in this field are explanatory statements of scope and/or examples of possible contexts in which the NOS may apply; they are not to be regarded as range statements required for achievement of the NOS.  **All knowledge statements must be applied in the context of this standard.**  **Factors** **that may affect the health, wellbeing and development of individuals** may include adverse circumstances or trauma before or during birth; autistic spectrum conditions; dementia; family circumstances; frailty; harm or abuse; injury; learning disability; medical conditions (chronic or acute); mental health; physical disability; physical ill health; poverty; profound or complex needs; sensory needs; social deprivation; substance misuse |

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| Values | Adherence to codes of practice or conduct where applicable to your role and the principles and values that underpin your work setting, including the rights of children, young people and adults.  These include the rights:  To be treated as an individual  To be treated equally and not be discriminated against  To be respected  To have privacy  To be treated in a dignified way  To be protected from danger and harm  To be supported and cared for in a way that meets their needs, takes account of their choices and also protects them  To communicate using their preferred methods of communication and language  To access information about themselves |

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