### Area of practice

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### EPA identification

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The following EPA will be entrusted when your supervisor is confident that you can be trusted to perform the activity described at the required standard without more than distant (reactive) supervision. Your supervisor feels confident that you know when to ask for additional help and that you can be trusted to appropriately seek assistance in a timely manner.

#### Title

**Alcohol and other drug (AOD) consultation–liaison.**

#### Description

The trainee will demonstrate an ability to identify patients with substance use disorders (including tobacco) and where appropriate other comorbid psychiatric disorders in hospital and/or primary care settings and within a collaborative framework develop an evidence-based approach to reducing substance-related harms through primary (face-to-face), secondary and tertiary consultations and liaison to other healthcare providers involved with the patients.

The trainee needs to demonstrate advanced knowledge, skills and professional attitude in all the following areas:

- management of withdrawal or stabilisation of substance use in medical/surgical/psychiatric wards and emergency departments or ambulatory withdrawal in a primary care setting
- deliver brief interventions in a hospital setting, including emergency departments or a primary care setting
- provide in-service AOD professional development for health practitioners at an appropriate level.

#### Fellowship competencies

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#### Knowledge, skills and attitude required

Competence is demonstrated if the trainee has shown sufficient aspects of the knowledge, skills and attitude described below.

**Ability to apply an adequate knowledge base**

- Knowledge of the key medical issues arising from the use of alcohol and other drugs.
- Knowledge of local legislative requirements regarding prescribing opioids and other restricted drugs.
- Knowledge of the literature around stigma and discrimination towards individuals with addiction and/or other psychiatric disorders and its impact on medical and surgical treatment choices.
### Skills
- Implement multidisciplinary management plans in primary health settings, emergency departments and psychiatric settings.
- Educate medical specialists and other health professionals in addiction problems:
  - stabilisation of substance use disorders including intoxication and withdrawal management
  - management of other common psychiatric problems associated with substance use disorders.
- Communicate advice effectively, both orally and in writing, and appropriately record outcomes.

### Attitude
- Non-judgemental attitude.
- Foster collaboration and partnership with medical specialists and other health professionals.
- Advocate for the substance-using patient within a multi-agency setting.
- Awareness of the stigma associated with a psychiatric and/or addiction diagnosis in a general medical setting.

### Assessment method
Progressively assessed during individual and clinical supervision, including three appropriate WBAs.

### Suggested assessment method details
(These include, but are not limited to, WBAs)
- Case-based discussion.
- Mini-Clinical Evaluation Exercise.
- Multisource feedback – from other supervisors and colleagues involved in care of patient.
- Observed Clinical Activity (OCA).
- Professional presentation.
- Direct Observation of Procedural Skills (DOPS).

### References
COL, Collaborator; COM, Communicator; HA, Health Advocate; MAN, Manager; ME, Medical Expert; PROF, Professional; SCH, Scholar