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Revision of EIAC Accreditation Standard for Healthcare Providers

To: All stakeholders including healthcare facilities, regulatory bodies, professional healthcare associations and lived experience experts (patients, their families and carers).

Purpose:

The EIAC Accreditation Standard for Healthcare Providers is revised every 4 years with input from national and international healthcare experts to ensure continued alignment with regulations, international standards and feedback from stakeholders.

Revision Process:

1. Initiation and Planning

- Identify the need for revision
- Define scope and objectives
- Establish a timeline and budget
- Form a revision team

2. Review and Development

- Review the existing standards
- Complete a gap analysis against international standards (ISQua, ISO etc.)
- Collect feedback from stakeholders on the current standards (clients, assessors, healthcare professionals, governmental bodies and patients)

- Complete a literature review of clinical guidelines and evidence-based practices

3. Consultation

- Standards Revision Committee meetings – subject matter experts including clients, assessors, all healthcare providers, all healthcare professionals, government, patient/service user groups, lived experience experts (patients, family members, carers) and EIAC staff.
- The committee along with the Quality Team will draft the updated standards for review and feedback from a wider stakeholder group will be obtained. This will be done through workshops, information sessions, surveys and informal interviews.
- Ahead of sign off for the final version of the updated version of the standards, a sample of organizations and assessors will review each criterion based on the RUMBA model (are the criteria Relevant, Understandable, Measurable, Beneficial and Achievable).

4. Finalization and Approval

- Pilot testing will commence with a select few healthcare facilities to ensure the Standards are fit for purpose. Any final feedback will be considered and appropriate changes are made.
- The final version of the EIAC Accreditation Standards for Healthcare Providers will be internally reviewed by the Standards Revision Committee to make a recommendation to the EIAC Senior Leadership and Governing Body for official approval and sign off.

Implementation:

The implementation of the revised standard shall be communicated to all stakeholders with a transition period in place.

All previous versions of the EIAC Accreditation Standards for Healthcare Providers shall be considered obsolete from the effective date unless otherwise specified.

All healthcare facilities who underwent EIAC accreditation or who wish to undergo accreditation are responsible for updating their procedures, documentation, and practices to comply with the revised standard.

Necessary training and awareness sessions shall be conducted when the revised standards are published.

Feedback Opportunity:

If you wish to participate by providing feedback on the accreditation standard or on the inclusion of topics that you would like to be added to the standard, please contact us. We value your input and expertise in this matter to strengthen quality and patient safety not just in the region but internationally.

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Best regards,



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