CPD EVENT RECORD CONSENT AND COMPLAINTS

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This event covered they types of consent obtained in practice and how they should be recorded. The realities of confirming valid consent in a disciplinary hearing were also discussed. A necessary element in consent is clear communication and the complexities of achieving this were covered.

A number of cases were discussed where a practitioner had been the subject of a complaint and subsequently acquitted. The process, timescale and potential effect on the registrant were described.

Attempting to build, or conducting, a personal relationship with a patient is a common cause of complaint and how this problem should be handled was explained.



Evaluation, Reflection and Impact on Practice (this part of the certificate is **not** automatically generated - it has been entered by the participant) This was a revealing discussion concerning the impact that complaints can have on the career and wellbeing of a practitioner. It reinforced in my mind the need for good communication with patients and for scrupulous note-taking, with good consenting procedures.