

Peer Observation

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Location: Courtyard Clinic, Maldon

i. **Communication and patient partnership:** For example: communicates effectively; listens to patients; provides information to patients to help their decision making; obtains consent; works in partnership with patients.

Observation:

- consent gained throughout
- provides a simple, detailed explanation including scenarios to help the patient understand why they have pain with reassessment + suitable management plan

ii. **Knowledge, skills and performance:** For example: Demonstrates a broad knowledge base and technical skills to support their work as an osteopath.

Observation:

- red flag questions promptly asked in relation to patients symptoms + location of pain
- uses a range of effective treatment techniques specific to the patient and their needs

iii. **Safety and quality in practice:** For example: conducts effective and appropriate evaluation to reach and deliver a justifiable management plan; considerate and caring approach with patients; accurate and clear record keeping.

Observation:

- works within patients pain barrier - building the patients trust helps
- assessment is relative + inline with patients symptoms
- good progress of exercises

iv. Professionalism: Some of the standards in this theme relate to issues which will not be apparent with every patient, but some will relate more to day-to-day patient care, for example: treats patients fairly and equally; respects patients rights to confidentiality and privacy; deals effectively with health and safety issues; acts with integrity.

Observation:

- using extra couch roll where appropriate to maintain patient dignity
- all patients treated equally - same length of treatment, amount of relevant advice, price & treatment

Conclusions:

Strengths identified:

- Patients have a positive experience whilst their symptoms decrease
- Practitioner is active within patients short and long term management plan

Areas for development discussed:

- make patients aware before putting massage cream on them
- maintain couch height
- start Q with 'any' instead of 'no'