

SP 11.0 Treatment Recommendations

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Purpose and Objective

To ensure the clinical relevance of patient treatment recommendations, as provided by ACAC members to their patients, are derived and subsequently reviewed with patients in a manner consistent with ethical, professional practice.

Definition(s)

The communication of the treatment recommendations to the patient will ensure information that provides a clear demonstration of the treatment being relevant to the patient's specific diagnosis based on the case history and results of all physical examinations and corresponding investigations.

Patient treatment recommendations must be consistent with the recorded individual treatment plan and cannot be contingent upon the attendance of other individuals or family members for consultation or treatment.

Enforceability

Any member identified to the Complaints Director as non-compliant in the Standard of Practice related to treatment recommendations is subject to the investigations and complaints process under Part 4 of the *Health Professions Act*. Identification may occur as a result of Practice Visit process, patient complaint or any other means by which the information may be brought to the attention of the Complaints Director.

