



Personal responsibility framework

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I will	l won't
Give time to care and listen to patients, responding to their needs	Ignore patients or respond inappropriately to their needs and requests, i.e. ignore call bells, fail to give eye contact or disregard others who are trying to attract my attention
Engage with patients, family and carers	Ignore the family or carers of patients, i.e. when they are sitting with the patient, or ask for assistance
Communicate with and keep patients, their families and carers, updated with what is happening in their care and involve them in decisions	Neglect to communicate with patients about their care, i.e. fail to share information or care plans, delays with their care
Engage with all members of the multi-disciplinary team to ensure I share and have up-to-date patient care information	Fail to be a team player and fail to communicate with my team members in decision making, i.e. work alone and fail to share information
Focus on the quality of care I give and seek assistance when required	Neglect to give the quality of care required or expected and fail to ask for help when needed
Be aware of my body language/non-verbal communication and how it aligns with my verbal communication	Be unaware of the impact of my interactions with others, i.e. asking 'how are you?' however my facial expression is tense with lips pursed and arms folded
Take conversations of an operational or personal nature away from patients or visitors' earshot	Be unaware of the unprofessionalism and impact of conducting conversations of an operational or personal nature on those around me



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Leaders will	Leaders won't
Fully support and encourage their team to deliver the care patients, families and carers need	Neglect to support their team to deliver the appropriate care for patients, families and carers
Communicate with their team when changes to services and individual patient care requirements are being introduced	Neglect to see the importance of updating their team with changes to services or patient care
Invite and encourage patient feedback and recognise the importance of listening to understand how we can improve our care	Fail to act on patient feedback and underestimate how it can improve the care given







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Be aware of and know how to access Trust policies and procedures relating to my role	Be unaware of how to access Trust policies and procedures, i.e. fail to use the intranet or fail to ask colleagues or my manager for help
Be up-to-date with my core learning and role specific training	Be non-compliant with core learning and role specific training deeming myself unsafe for duty, i.e. fail to attend mandatory training
Follow Trust infection control policies and procedures to keep myself, my patients and my colleagues safe	Disregard Trust infection control policies i.e. not bare below the elbows, wear inappropriate jewellery, nail varnish or unauthorised work wear
Be fully aware and compliant with fire safety procedures and up-to-date with fire training to keep myself, my patients and my colleagues safe	Be unaware of fire safety procedures and/or fail to attend fire training, i.e. you do not know evacuation procedures or cannot locate fire exits
Raise concerns and speak up if there are risks or I believe safety is compromised for patients, colleagues and others. I will ensure incidents are reported appropriately and timely in line with Trust policies	Be unaware of or fail to raise risks, i.e. you do not escalate to colleagues and managers or complete incident forms
Ask for help and support when required	Be unaware of when I require help or assistance and not be appropriately trained/up-to-date in clinical/non-clinical procedures, i.e. not competent or trained to carry out some tasks, or do not speak up when there is a lack of support or inadequate staffing levels within my work area
Address safety hazards I may come across throughout my working day	Walk by and ignore safety hazards, i.e. fail to close fire doors, clean or report wet floors, pick up rubbish or raise alarms when required
Look after my own health and wellbeing and take refreshment and comfort breaks throughout the day and support and encourage my colleagues to do the same	Fail to look after myself, i.e. forget to take refreshment and comfort breaks







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Leaders will	Leaders won't
Ensure their team allocate time to complete core learning and other role specific training	Neglect to ensure their team has time allocated to complete their core learning and other role specific training
Ensure their area has up-to-date fire safety evacuation procedures and fire equipment and that the team is fire safety trained and competent	Fail to ensure their area has up-to-date fire safety evacuation procedures and fire equipment, or have a team who are not trained and therefore not competent should a fire emergency arise
Manage their team's safe staffing levels and have the correct skill mix to carry out their service safely, efficiently and effectively	Fail to have enough staff or the correct skill mix to deliver their service safely, efficiently and effectively
Ensure that all staff have a local induction when they join the Trust or have moved into their area, to familiarise them with local safety and working procedures, even if only joining for one shift/day	Neglect to conduct a local induction resulting in staff within their area who are unaware of safety procedures and ways of working
Look after and support their team's health and wellbeing	Fail to support their team's health and wellbeing, i.e. breaks, refreshments
Work collaboratively and discourage silo working and divisiveness	Fail to work with others, or discourage teamwork and fail to challenge those who are disruptive
Deliver agreed standards and improvements in quality and safety consistent with their management role	Fail to provide the necessary quality and safety standards and improvement evidence required as part of their role















I will	l won't
Take responsibility for my work, tasks and actions	Fail to take responsibility or neglect my responsibilities, i.e. patient care, work unfinished
Take responsibility for how I represent the Trust both at work and outside in all forms of communication, i.e. letters, emails, telephone, meetings, social media. Follow the Trust social media policy	Represent the Trust inappropriately when at work or outside when communicating with others, i.e. letters, emails, telephone, meetings, social media
Use the correct and appropriate Trust policies and channels to raise concerns or issues I may have or come across	Use inappropriate ways of escalating concerns or issues, i.e. media, social media or fail to follow the appropriate procedures
Be open and honest when things go wrong and take ownership and accountability	Fail to acknowledge mistakes I have made or fail to take ownership or accountability of situations I have been involved in, i.e. blame someone else for my error, hide evidence of errors.
Be innovative and adapt to new ways of working, embracing ideas towards the improvement of patient care and service delivery	Fail to be open to new ideas or new ways of working/block implementation
Be open to challenge and welcome feedback from others	React negatively to challenge and feedback, i.e. a task I carried out was not of a satisfactory standard so I act in a rude or impolite manner when receiving constructive feedback
Recognise the importance of learning from lessons, changing as a result and sharing this knowledge with my colleagues	Fail to listen to or acknowledge improvements which could be made
Be empowered to carry out my job role and if I require additional training or information will ask for help	Fail to request help from my line manager if I'm struggling to carry out my job role
Act responsibly when spending Trust money, and support and embrace opportunities to save money	Spend Trust money without due diligence or fail to follow Trust procedures in order to save money









Leaders will	Leaders won't
Be innovative, adaptable and proactive in both creating, adopting and sharing new ways of working for and with their team and service	Fail to be creative, flexible or be thoughtless to issues arising, or reject new ways of working, i.e. changes to service, changes to team skill mix
Be inspirational and support their team to improve themselves and service delivery	Fail to support their team's/service improvement
Recognise excellence, value and thank their team, in both collaborative efforts and individual cases	Fail to value their team's contributions or neglect to thank them
Recognise individual talent and fully support and play a part in their development and progression	Fail to progress or develop their staff
Empower others to aim for high standards and not accept poor practice	Fail to give their team the opportunity to raise poor standards
Inspire others in tough times by helping them to focus on the value of their contribution	Fail to support others to provide a caring and safe environment
Take full responsibility for their allocated budget and spend wisely. Be innovative in ways of saving money and encourage their team to follow their vision	Be irresponsible with their allocated budget and fail to advocate their team trying to save the Trust money, i.e. too many team members attending conferences, authorising first class train travel















I will	l won't
Consider others' feelings, especially when giving bad news or feedback	Be inconsiderate and matter of fact towards others with how they feel when I break bad news or give feedback. Assume others will feel the same as me, or share my views
Be compassionate with all those in my care, including my colleagues and take the time to understand their situation at that point in time	Fail to be compassionate or not consider or acknowledge what it is like from someone else's perspective, i.e. I won't ignore a patient in pain or consider it part of the process, or if a colleague is upset be unsupportive and ignore them
Always help those who require assistance and guidance	Ignore others who may need my help, i.e. ignore someone who looks lost in the hospital, ignore colleagues when they ask for help or support and expect someone else to assist them
Be approachable, helpful and kind	Be unapproachable, difficult to work with or unhelpful to patients and colleagues
Establish others understanding when I have discussed and explained their care or a task with them, and invite and encourage questions	Give instructions or information without giving the other person an opportunity to reflect or ask questions to confirm their understanding















Leaders will	Leaders won't
Go out of their way to build positive and caring relationships and team environments	Fail to understand the importance of a good, positive healthy team working environment
Be compassionate, supportive and listen to their team members in times when they find work and personal matters difficult	Be unsupportive of team members in relation to work or personal matters, i.e. a colleague's behaviour or a bereavement
Be accessible, listen and act with empathy and kindness towards others	Ignore their team members and be unavailable when their team or others need them, i.e. their office door is closed, they do not look up when someone is talking to them, they do not have team meetings or 1:1s
Offer and expect to receive constructive challenge and discourage confrontation	Be unable to discuss or receive constructive feedback without being defensive, disrespectful or rude, allowing confrontation to take place
Support staff when they need their help and follow Trust policies and procedures when required	Fail to support their staff when they need their help and fail to follow policies and procedures, i.e. grievances, special leave







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Respect Personal responsibility framework

I will	l won't
Greet visitors in a welcoming and sincere way, introducing myself and my role; 'Hello, my name is'	Fail to welcome or greet visitors or fail to introduce myself
Use respectful and appropriate greetings when in conversation with patients or answering the telephone - 'Good morning/afternoon Mr or Mrs'	Use inappropriate or over-familiar greetings which could be deemed offensive
Treat everyone with kindness, dignity and respect	Neglect to understand the need for dignity or respect for others, i.e. failing to close curtains when patients require privacy or raising my voice at colleagues
Not have favourites and treat everyone non-judgementally, whether a patient within my care or colleagues	Treat some people differently to others and judge patients and colleagues, i.e. fail to be polite to some patients or treat colleagues differently because of their role
Be polite, honest and friendly to everyone I look after, meet and work with, and will challenge those who display bad behaviours	Bully, be offensive, act aggressively, be rude in conduct, or use inappropriate language
Treat patients with dignity and respect when caring at their bedside and at all other times	Talk with my colleagues over patients when caring for them, i.e. discussions over patients when they are in bed, or whilst being transported through hospital
Arrive punctually for work and meetings	Be consistently late for work or meetings without giving a good reason for absence or non-attendance
Be welcoming, supportive and inclusive of all colleagues within my area and to those colleagues who may come to help out in my service area on a short-term basis	Fail to welcome and support colleagues, i.e. those moved to different areas for operational reasons (bank or agency staff)



Not allow my mood to affect the way I treat others

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Shout at, ignore or upset others because of how I am feeling





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Leaders will	Leaders won't
Treat everyone the same and fairly within their team and not have favourites	Treat some people better than others, i.e. allowing only one or a few of their team additional training, holiday allocation, promotion
Expect all of their team to be consistently punctual and attend work and meetings on time	Turn a blind eye or fail to challenge those who are consistently late or do not attend work
Be great role models, set high standards of behaviour and performance and lead by example	Have a negative approach with poor standards of behaviour and fail to seek help when struggling or unsure
Set and manage their team's objectives against Trust standards to improve patient care and service delivery	Set inappropriate/unachievable objectives for their team
Hold regular team meetings, 1:1s and appraisals with personal development plans to ensure all team members are communicated with, supported and developed	Fail to recognise the importance of holding regular team meetings or the need to communicate effectively with their team, leaving them unsupported and underdeveloped
Behave respectfully, consistently and fairly and make sure others do so too, even when under pressure	Behave unprofessionally when under pressure and allow others to behave in this way too
Collaborate with peers and understand how services fit together and recognise how the culture and politics work across the organisation, so they can help their team get things done	Focus solely on their own service at the expense of the broader services and the Trust
Communicate, involve and respect others when decisions are made or changes are taking place	Spring changes on others without prior discussion





