Form V

The Royal Australasian College of Physicians
Adult Medicine Division

Australasian Chapter of Addiction Medicine Training Program

Observed Patient Assessment Interview
Assessment Sheet

Name of Trainee _____ Date _____

Name of Assessor _____ Venue _____

For each item please indicate whether the trainee's performance was Satisfactory (√), Unsatisfactory (X) or Uncertain (?).

COMMUNICATION WITH PATIENT	Pass	Borderline	Fail	Not Applicable
Establishes appropriate rapport				
Warm, friendly opening				
Puts patients at ease				
Non-judgmental attitude				
Empathic towards patient's situation				
Shows appropriate non verbal behaviour				
Appropriate eye contact				
Appears interested and focussed on patient				
Not intrusive of patient's personal space				
Use of appropriate language				
Understandable vocabulary				
Avoids use of medical jargon				
Avoids confronting language				
Appropriate use of open-ended questions				
Uses open-ended questions to explore patient's history				
Active listening skills				
Demonstrates active listening skills eg use of paraphrasing, clarifying, and summarising				
Style of history taking				
Uses logical and structured approach				

HISTORY TAKING	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Uncertain	Not Applicable
History of presenting complaint				
Explores quantity, frequency, duration, last use of substance/s				
Explores route of use, risk-taking behaviours				
Explores source and cost of substance/s used				
Explores problems related to use				
Explores dependence criteria				
Explores precipitants for presentation				
Explores relevant past use:				
- e.g. heaviest period of use; first use				
Explores relevant treatment history				
Other drug and alcohol history				
Explores relevant history for:				
- Alcohol				
- Opioids				
- Benzodiazepines				
- Marijuana				
- Stimulants				
- Ecstasy and Related Drugs				
- Nicotine				
- Other substances				
Medical history				
Explores Hepatitis & HIV status				
Explores history of seizures and head injuries				
Explores other relevant medical history				
Medication				
Reviews current medication				
Explores previous relevant medication				
Past Psychiatric History				
Explores history of anxiety, depression, psychosis				
Explores history of self harm, suicidality				
Explores past admissions				
Explores previous treatments				

HISTORY TAKING CONT'D...	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Uncertain	Not Applicable
Criminal history				
Explores history of violence				
Explores history of convictions & current charges				
Explores history of imprisonment				
Family and Social History				
Explores family history: medical, psychiatric, addiction				
Explores family structure and nature of relationships				
Explores experience of growing up				
Explores education, training and employment				
Explores social relationships and supports				

EXAMINATION	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Uncertain	Not Applicable
Mental state examination				
Explores important mental state features eg anxiety, depression, psychosis, cognitive impairment				
Identifies important risk issues (risk of harm to self or others)				
Physical examination				
Performs appropriate physical examination				
If not possible: able to discuss appropriate physical examination				

TREATMENT PLAN	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Uncertain	Not Applicable
Explores motivation for change				
Able to give personalised feedback				
Able to discuss broad range of treatment options (biological, social, psychological)				
Involves patient in treatment decisions				

ASSESSOR'S SUMMARY:

Satisfactory Communication	☐ **YES**	☐ **NO**	☐ **UNCERTAIN**
Satisfactory History Taking	☐ **YES**	☐ **NO**	☐ **UNCERTAIN**
Satisfactory Examination	☐ **YES**	☐ **NO**	☐ **UNCERTAIN**
Satisfactory Treatment Plan	☐ **YES**	☐ **NO**	☐ **UNCERTAIN**

COMMENTS:

My general impression of the trainee was that their performance was:

☐ **SATISFACTORY**

☐ **UNSATISFACTORY**

☐ **UNCERTAIN**

Signed _____ **Date** _____