

'It's the vibe' Quantifying 'quality' in the general practice clinical learning environment (GPCLE)

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The General Practice Clinical Learning Environment (GPCLE) Framework

The GPCLE is a consensus-based framework that describes the 6 key elements of high-quality learning environments in general practice.¹





Aim

To translate the GPCLE framework into quantifiable indicators that can be practically applied to benchmark, monitor, and guide quality improvement in the clinical learning environment.

Pre-workshop reflection activity

Participants (N=16) GP stakeholders

- GP supervisors
- non-supervising GPs
- Practice manager
- RACGP Regional Directors of Training
- GP registrar
- Medical student
- Medical educators

Procedure

Participants allocated to a GPCLE element and asked to 'quantify' quality in the clinical learning environment.



GPCLE Element 1 The practice values learning

- 1. In your experience, what are some key indicators that a training practice values learning?
- 2. What <u>actions/behaviours</u> demonstrate when this is being done well?
- 3. Of these actions/behaviours, which is the most important to support a high-quality learning environment?

Results

For each GPCLE element:

- Quality indicators
- Arranged along a quality continuum

Informed workshop instructions and activities



GPCLE Element 1 The practice values learning

In my training practice, we have...



Satisfactory

Scheduled time for clinical teaching



Commendable

Scheduled time for clinical teaching + Regular

scheduled supervisor observations

Exemplary

Scheduled time for clinical teaching + Regular scheduled supervisor observations + Regular scheduled

debriefing

Delphi-style workshop













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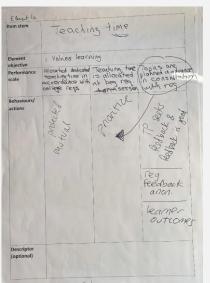
1. Generate quality indicators for each GPCLE element

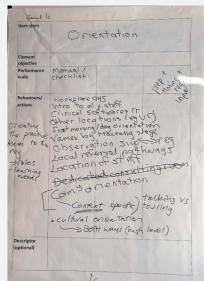


2. Review the quality indicators for each GPCLE element



3. Small groups assigned to each GPCLE element - code and arrange indicators along a performance continuum





4. Large group discussion/ refinement of GPCLE items across all elements



Results

GPCLE QI tool

- Performance continuum
- Consensusdriven quality standards
- Quantified quality indicators
- QI resources



GPCLE Element 1 The practice values learning

Performance	Satisfactory	Commendable	Exemplary
Standard	In-practice teaching time is scheduled and protected	The content and methods of in- practice teaching meet the needs of the learner	Learner progress is monitored and teaching is adapted
Evidence	Teaching time is scheduled at a regular time to minimise interruption (e.g. in-practice appointment schedule)	Learners are assisted to identify their learning needs (e.g. learning needs assessment)	Learning progress is monitored via internal review (e.g. learner appointment schedule – running to time)

Discussion

- Delphi-style process produced a consensus-driven GPCLE quality improvement tool
 - Successfully quantified "the vibe" of high-quality learning environments
- GPCLE QI tool validation
 - Sectorwide review (N = 230)
 - Pilot study (2 practices; MM1 and MM5)
 - The GPCLE QI tool is perceived as highly acceptable, useable, and feasible for use in GP training

Implications for training

- The GPCLE QI tool
 - Self-assessment tool for training practices developed by the sector, for the sector
 - Assess, monitor, and guide QI in the clinical learning environment
 - Includes supportive resources to facilitate QI
- Potential future applications in
 - College in-practice QI activities
 - Quality assurance
 - College accreditation
 - University work integrated learning and placements at GP training practices

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