Geriatric Medicine

FOD 4b - Diagnosing and initiating management of patients in delirium Part B: Communication with patient/caregiver

Key Features

- This EPA focuses on the diagnosis and initial management of delirium through the use of validated delirium screening tools, and the communication of diagnosis
- This EPA does not include prevention or pharmacologic management
- - The observation of this EPA is divided into three parts: diagnosis; communication; and initiating management

Target

- Collect 2 observations of achievement
- At least 1 of each from case mix
- At least 2 settings
- At least 2 different assessors

Case presentation

hyperactive (i.e. agitated); hypoactive

Setting

 geriatric unit; inpatient consult; pre- and/or post-operative setting; emergency room; day hospital; residential care; other

Assessor

geriatrician; care of the elderly physician

Milestones in Elentra

- COM 1.4 Respond to patient's nonverbal communication and use appropriate non-verbal behaviours to enhance communication
- COM 3.1 Provide information on diagnosis and prognosis in a clear, compassionate, respectful and objective manner