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UIP4 - Infection Prevention (COVID-19) for Complementary Therapies and Sports Massage

LO5 Understand potential hazards and risks and the workplace procedures necessary to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the complementary therapies and sports massage environment

The potential hazards and possible risks in relation to COVID-19

Hazards

- Anything that has the potential to cause harm, for example inadequately maintained toilet facilities

Risks

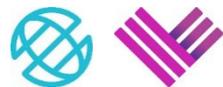
- A chance, high or low, that harm caused by the hazard may occur, for example, cross-infection from poor hygiene controls



Hazards and risks

For example:

- Inadequate or poor COVID-19 staff training
- Staff at higher risk of serious illness from COVID-19
- Clients at higher risk of serious illness from COVID-19
- Patch testing/re-patch testing as appropriate to the treatment
- Product testers
- Hand hygiene
- Working safely throughout the treatment/service



Hazards and risks

For example:

- Ventilation
- PPE as appropriate to the treatment/service, organisational requirements and guidance of the country therein
- Correct handling and storage of all products, tools and equipment
- Correct decontamination processes appropriate to products, tools, equipment and working areas
- Storage of clean and dirty tools and equipment
- Disposal of waste
- Handling of cash



Safe and hygienic working practices

For example:

- Establish internal policies and procedures to prevent and control the spread of infection
- If required, operate an appointment-only system
- Maintain adequate ventilation
- Waiting/reception area seat allocation in accordance with guidelines of the country therein
- Request that clients arrive no more than 5 minutes before appointment



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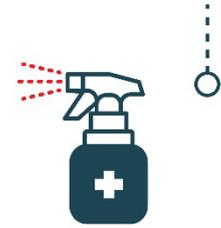
WASH HANDS



USE SOAP



WEAR MASK



DISINFECTION

- As appropriate, in accordance with organisational requirements and guidance of the country therein
- Pre-treatment
- Client arrival
- During treatment
- Post treatment
- Decontamination following treatment
- Safe working practices

Possible treatment adaptations/ mitigations



- All treatments/services must be risk assessed
- Treatment/service adaptations and requirements for PPE will be informed by risk assessment