

Clinical Governance and Psychology Standards in Australia: A Comprehensive

Short-answer practice · 10 questions · answer key on the last page

How to use it — answer each question in two or three sentences from memory, then mark yourself against the key. This study guide provides a detailed overview of the clinical governance frameworks, regulatory standards, and professional obligations relevant to psychologists and private practice operators in Australia. It synthesizes the essential components of the Australian Clinical Governance and Psychology Standards Framework to assist in the mastery of safety, quality, and accountability systems.

1. Define "clinical governance" as it applies to Australian psychology practitioners.

2. What are the four pillars of clinical governance?

3. How do the National Quality and Health Service (NSQHS) Standards categorize "partnering with consumers"?

4. Which regulatory body oversees the Australian Privacy Principles (APPs), and what specific type of information do these principles govern in a clinical context?

5. What are the record-keeping retention thresholds for adult clients versus clients who are minors?

6. Under what specific circumstances can the obligation of confidentiality be ethically and legally breached?

7. Define "notifiable conduct" according to the Psychology Board of Australia and AHPRA.

8. In the event of a conflict between a professional code of ethics and the National Law, which takes precedence?

9. What is the purpose of a risk register within a clinical governance system?

10. What are the primary responsibilities of a supervisor within the board-approved supervision structure?

Answer key

1. **Clinical Governance Definition:**
2. **The Four Pillars:**
3. **Partnering with Consumers:**
4. **Privacy Regulation:**
5. **Record Retention:**
6. **Confidentiality Exceptions:**
7. **Notifiable Conduct:**
8. **Precedence of Frameworks:**
9. **Risk Register Purpose:**
10. **Supervisor Responsibilities:**

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