

Notification of obsolete Guideline (GL2009_014) - Smoke-Free Mental Health Facilities in NSW

Summary The purpose of this Information Bulletin is to advise the NSW Health System that GL2009_014 has been made obsolete on the Policy Distribution System.

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NOTIFICATION OF OBSOLETE GUIDELINE GL2009_014 - SMOKE-FREE MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES IN NSW – GUIDANCE FOR IMPLEMENTING

PURPOSE

This Information Bulletin is to notify the NSW Health system that Guideline GL2009_014 *Smoke-free mental health facilities in NSW - Guidance for implementing*, has been made obsolete on the Policy Distribution System.

KEY INFORMATION

NSW clinicians are advised that information on the NSW Health smoke-free health care policy is available from PD2015_003 NSW Health *Smoke-free health care policy*. This policy requires all inpatients to be asked about their smoking status and those who smoke to be supported to manage their nicotine dependence and quit.

A new guidance document was developed in 2015 to support the revised Smoke-free health care policy. This document is *Managing nicotine dependence: A guide for NSW Health staff* and can be accessed from the NSW Health website:

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/tobacco/Pages/managing-nicotine-dependence.aspx>

The new guidance document has incorporated and expanded on information contained in the obsolete smoke-free guideline for mental health facilities (GL2009_014) and provides the most up to date information for all NSW Health staff and facilities on managing nicotine dependence.

NSW clinicians are advised that additional tools and resources to assist in the management of nicotine dependence is available from the NSW Health website:

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/tobacco/Pages/tools-for-health-professionals.aspx>.