



Mental Capacity Act Knowledge Paper

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1. Define 'lack of capacity' in the context of the Mental Capacity Act.

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2. In your own words what is the 1st statutory principle underpinning the Act?

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3. Which document that accompanies the Mental Capacity Act are you legally required to 'have regard' to when carrying out an assessment or making a decision on another person's behalf?

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4. What types of decision are covered by the Act?

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5. Name or define the two stages of the assessment of capacity.

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6. Give an example of a time when you as a carer might have to assess a client's capacity to make a decision.

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7. Give two reasons why you should record details of assessments of capacity that you have carried out.

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8. Give a reason why a person assessed as lacking a capacity to make one decision must not be assumed to be unable to make any decisions.

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9. 'A person is not to be treated as unable to make a decision unless all practicable steps to help him to do so have been taken without success'. This is the 2nd statutory principle, please explain what it means to you.

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10. Give two examples of things you might need to do to meet the requirements of the 2nd statutory principle.

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11. If a client needs help with decisions of a personal or sensitive nature why must you be careful about who you involve in discussions.

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12. Give one example of information that you must record about an assessment to satisfy the Care Quality Commission that you are complying with the Mental Capacity Act?

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13. If you believe that a client has made a wrong decision can you assume that they lack capacity? Give one reason for your answer.

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14. Your local area is experiencing severe weather conditions; it's freezing cold, the pavements are icy and it's snowing. One of your clients tells you that they are going to the post office; what do you do?

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15. Give two examples of the 9 elements of the 'best principles' checklist.

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16. Give two examples of people you would consult about the best interests of a client who lacks capacity and requires treatment for cancer.

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17. What are DoLS?

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18. Give 2 examples of ways in which restraint might be used to protect a client from harm.

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19. Give an example of a time when it might be necessary to involve other professionals or agencies in the assessment and decision making process.

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20. Which body has the power to remove deputies and attorneys who are acting inappropriately?

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