

Professional Guidance

Department of Health

The Department of Health has produced the following guidance re consent

- A guide for adults
- A guide for children and young people
- A guide for people with learning disabilities
- A guide for parents
- A guide for relatives and carers

<http://www.dh.gov.uk/PolicyAndGuidance/HealthAndSocialCareTopics/Consent/ConsentGeneralInformation/fs/en>

Reference Guide to Consent for Examination or Treatment, March 2001
www.doh.gov.uk/consent

Chief Nursing Officer bulletin

Integrating care for vulnerable patients
October 2004
<http://www.dh.gov.uk/>

BMA

Consent tool kit

Second edition – February 2003
<http://www.bma.org.uk/ap.nsf/Content/consenttk2>

Card 7 - children and young people
Card 6 - Adults who lack capacity
Card 8 - Determining “best interests”

Parental responsibility

<http://www.bma.org.uk/ap.nsf/Content/Parental>
Guidance from the Ethics Department
February 2004

GMC

Seeking patients' consent: the ethical considerations

November 1998
<http://www.gmc-uk.org/standards/default.htm>

Royal College of Psychiatrists

Vulnerable patients, vulnerable doctors: New Council Report on good practice in doctors' clinical relationships
September 2002

