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**EXTRACT FROM ESTABLISHMENT ORDER S.I. NO 109 OF 2000 / AMENDMENT ORDER S.I. NO 575 OF 2004**

“(o) prepare clinical practice guidelines for pre-hospital emergency care and make such guidelines available to pre-hospital emergency care service providers and such other persons as it may consider appropriate.”

**COUNCIL POLICY: IMPLEMENTATION TIMEFRAMES OF CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES (CPGs)**

- 1 New or updated CPGs shall be published annually by Council on the PHECC website. Should an issue of patient safety or other issue emerge a special release of the appropriate CPG shall occur outside this timeframe.
  
- 2 Following the publication of new or updated CPGs;
  - 2.1 Pre-hospital emergency care service providers approved to implement CPGs shall ensure, within eighteen months that 99% of practitioners acting on their behalf are updated. This criterion will be added to the PHECC requirements of CPG approved organisations.
  - 2.2 New or updated practices may be initiated by practitioners once competent.
  - 2.3 Previous versions of the updated CPGs shall, following an eighteen month period, be withdrawn.
  
- 3 Practitioners shall be required to complete updating of new or updated CPGs within eighteen months of publication:
  - 3.1 as part of continuous professional competence, and
  - 3.2 in order to re-register with PHECC.

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