

WorldSkills UK: Health & Social Care

Pre-competition activity

Task A: Stroke

Judges' competition guidance:

Competition room:

- the competition space must have a door, as each competitor is expected to knock and seek admittance to Terry's home
- ensure the competition space is reset to the exact arrangement prior to each competitor starting to ensure consistency e.g. chair/table placement, magazines, room items etc.

Equipment/aids/documents:

- The following are pre-competition activity documents that accompany this guide:
 - a competitor's brief (that does not contain the competitor tasks)
 - a competitor's brief (that contains the competitor tasks)
 - an actor's brief
 - a copy of the speech therapy exercises
 - a daily care and support Log
 - judges' marking guide.
- The following equipment will be required for the task:
 - specialist eating aids: knives, forks, plate guard, anti-slip mats
 - tripod walker (with manufacturer's instructions)
 - writing paper and pen to make notes
 - all items must be clean and replaced in their original positions at the start of each task.

Judges' marking / questions:

- using the Judges' marking guide, assign marks following the guidance for each aspect of this task
- the two judges' overall scores must not exceed two marks in variance. Where this occurs the judges must review their marks to ensure this criterion is met.
- reflection and good practice:
 - reserve two minutes at the end of the exercise to ask the competitor two questions, one thing they felt went well and one they would have done differently/didn't go as they wanted

- ask the actor how they found the care provided and allocate a mark accordingly.

General guidance

HEALTH AND SAFETY and SAFEGUARDING risks must be considered at all times. If at any time there is a health and safety risk the competition must be stopped and the hazard removed. The time must be stopped and the competition can only restart if the hazard has been removed, the competitor has remaining time left and agrees to continue.

- all competitors should be given a copy of the 'competition scenario' (which does not contain the competitor tasks) and speech therapy exercise sheet before the day of competition
- On the day of competition prior to starting the task, give each competitor a new competitor's brief (which contains the competitor tasks), care and support log, speech therapy exercise sheet, pen and paper in a supervised holding area, outside of the competition area
- Explain to each competitor:
 - they have 10 minutes preparation time
 - when they are ready, they must enter the competition area/Terry's home as they would any normal visit to a service user/patient
 - the moment they enter the competition area/Terry's home the time for the task will start
 - once they have started the task they cannot ask questions of their judges until they have finished
 - they cannot bring in/use any equipment or documents outside of those provided.
- where a competitor has not entered the competition area by the end of the 10 minutes preparation time, you may need to prompt them to start
- if they are prompted to start they can only be awarded a maximum of 0.5 mark for aspect 1.1.2 - if they have to complete all tasks within the allotted time
- before the competition time elapses give the competitor a five-minute warning
- after time has stopped ask the competitor to hand in any completed documentation and ask them to reflect on the task. (aspect 1.5.1 and 1.5.2 in the Judges' marking guide)
- after the competitor has left the competition space ask the actor to mark them on how effective and appropriate the care delivered was. (aspect 1.5.3 in the judges' marking guide)
- discretionary marks for aspect 1.5.4 in the judge's marking guide must only be awarded if a competitor has exceeded normal requirements.
- it is advised that there are no observers in the room during each task

- the competitor can refer back to the competition information/their notes at any time during the task
- if a competitor wants to stop at any point during their allocated time to use a toilet/take a moment time out etc. their time should not be stopped. They can only continue if they have time remaining
- if a competitor leaves the room during the task and they intend to continue on their return they must be supervised at all times and not talk to anyone until they return to the competition area
- the competition area must be put back to its original state at the end of each task for consistency, and any written notes, documents from the previous task etc must also be removed
- competitors must be advised not to discuss any of the scenarios as it is a competition.