Knowledge of legal frameworks relating to working with people who self-harm and/or are suicidal

| An ability to draw on knowledge that work with people who self-harm or are suicidal is underpinned by legal frameworks |
| An ability to draw on knowledge that the sources and details of law may vary across the four home nations of the UK |
| an ability to draw on knowledge of the relevant legislation and policies that apply to the settings in which interventions take place |

**Mental health**

An ability to draw on knowledge of mental health legislation

**Capacity and informed consent**

An ability to draw on knowledge of the legal framework that determines the criteria for capacity and informed consent

**Data protection**

An ability to draw on knowledge of legislation that addresses issues of data protection and the disclosure of information

**Equality**

An ability to draw on knowledge of equality legislation designed to protect people from discrimination when accessing services (including the statutory requirement for service providers to make reasonable adjustments for people with disabilities)
Resources

Mental health legislation

Mental Health Act 1983:

Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003:

Outline guides:
www.mind.org.uk/help/rights_and_legislation/mental_health_act_1983_an_outline_guide
www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2005/07/22145851/58527

Capacity and consent

Mental Capacity Act 2005:

Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland:
www.mwcscot.org.uk/the-law/

Age of Legal Capacity (Scotland) Act 1991:


Confidentiality

Department of Health (2003), Confidentiality: NHS Code of Practice:

Data protection

Data Protection Act 2018:

Equality

The Equality Act 2010:

Human rights

Human Rights Act 1998: