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Risk Management Authority

Brief History

The Risk Management Authority (RMA) is a Non-Departmental Public Body (NDPB), established in 2005 by the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003.

Scope and Coverage

RMA has duty to focus on protecting the public by ensuring that robust and effective risk assessment and risk management practices are in place to reduce the risk of serious harm posed by violent and sexual offenders. Within this remit, the RMA also has specific responsibility to administer and oversee the risk assessment and management processes supporting the Order for Lifelong Restriction (OLR) sentence, including the accreditation of risk assessors to carry out duties on behalf of the High Court, and the approval of Risk Management Plans for offenders subject to an OLR. The RMA accredits Assessors and Manners (methodologies) to ensure that appropriate standards

are established and recognized.

Kind of Information

The Risk Management Authority provides standards to survive in risk environment, in risk assessment and management processes. In a pdf file the website provides five standards related to Risk Assessment, Planning and Responding to Change, Risk Management Measures, Partnership Working and Quality Assurance. Under each entry of standards, there is information like the short description, scope and coverage on that standard, application of the standard, guidelines for the application and uses of that standard and other important issues related to that standard. As for example, on the Standard 1 “Risk Assessment” the website provides short description with scope and coverage, applying criteria for the standard, guidelines contain the points which should be contained by the standard “Risk Assessment”, the elements of the risk assessment process etc.

Special Features

- RMA works towards achieving best practice and contributing to policies and practices through stakeholder engagement and critical working parties.
- Through its work it promotes Scotland as an international leader in research and innovation in the field of offender risk assessment and risk management.
- It offers support through the provision of advice, training, events and seminars to those who work directly in the fields of risk assessment and management of offenders.
- It undertakes research to develop appropriate resources that support best practice, these include publications such as Standards and Guidelines for Risk Assessment and Risk Management and also the Risk Assessment Tools Evaluation Directory (RATED).

Arrangement Pattern

The website provides pdf file on standards & guidelines for risk management. There the standards are arranged under the topics like Risk Assessment, Planning and Responding to Change, Risk Management Measures, Partnership Working and Quality Assurance.

Remarks

The RMA aims to make Scotland safer by setting the standard for risk practice to reduce reoffending and the harm that it causes. The RMA’s independent status allows for a fair and objective provision of service to the Scottish public.

Comparable Tools

- The International Organization for Standardization (<http://www.iso.org/iso/home.htm>)

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