

Table 2 Conformity to generic care standards as reported by health care providers and found in the review of the health care records of the children with cerebral palsy

Standards of care	Reported as usually done (n = 15)	Recorded in the child's health file (n = 84)
	No. (%)	No. (%)
Care assessment standards		
History is taken on personal, family and social circumstances	7 (47)	24 (29)
Developmental history is taken	12 (80)	53 (63)
History of current and past interventions (including outcomes, adverse reactions, side-effects) is taken	11 (73)	16 (19.0)
A consent form is signed by parents/caregiver for care and treatment	1 (7)	0 (0)
The needs of the child and parents/caregivers are recorded	7 (47)	9 (11)
Additional vulnerabilities and co-morbidities are assessed and recorded	10 (67)	72 (86)
Educational, vocational status is recorded	4 (27)	7 (8)
Time for completion of holistic assessment is recorded	6 (40)	12 (14)
Schedule of routine visits is recorded	11 (73)	84 (100)
The diagnosis of cerebral palsy and other diagnoses is recorded	8 (53)	82 (98)
Information on how the diagnosis of cerebral palsy was reached is recorded	5 (33)	18 (21)
Diagnosis of cerebral palsy is explained to the parents	5 (33)	2 (2)
Appropriate information about cerebral palsy is given to the parents in writing	4 (27)	0 (0)
There is cooperation with other partner agencies	0	0
The care plan of the child is structured	7 (47)	8 (10)
Information and guidance (including educational, social and lifestyle advice) are provided to the parents	0 (0)	17 (20)
Care planning standards		
Appropriate advice is provided to parents about available voluntary organizations and advocacy services	1 (7)	9 (11)
The child care plan is planned and agreed with parents/care givers	8 (53)	18 (21)
The timings of review	10 (67)	37 (44)
The other agencies are involved in child's care and support and information is shared with them	1 (7)	6 (7)
The child care plan is based on multidisciplinary assessment of strengths of the rehabilitation process, needs and past experiences	5 (33)	11 (13)
The care plan of the child is clear	0 (0)	49 (59)
The child care plan identifies the specific goals of the child in relation to his/her condition	5 (33)	82 (98)
The child's tasks, treatments and interventions are identified in the care plan of the child	0 (0)	50 (60)
Care delivery standards		
When to initiate, review or end medication and recording of their side-effects	10 (67)	2 (2)
Reasons for inpatient admission are recorded	5 (33)	2 (2)
Aims of admission are recorded	2 (13)	0 (0)
Expected and actual length of inpatient stay are recorded	1 (7)	0 (0)
Plan for discharge is recorded	1 (7)	29 (34)
Outcome standards		
What has improved in the child's condition is recorded	7 (46)	28 (33)
What has become worse in the child's condition is recorded	7 (47)	1 (1)
Achievement of the planned outcomes is recorded	0 (0)	17 (20)
Aspects of the plan that have been changed are recorded	7 (47)	6 (7)