CAP12 Dizziness and Vertigo

The trainee will be able to evaluate the patient who presents with dizziness or vertigo to produce a valid differential diagnosis, appropriate investigation and implement a management plan

Knowledge	Assessment Methods	GMP Domains
Know the neuro-anatomy and physiology relevant to balance, coordination and movement	E, C, Mi, ACAT	1
Define and differentiate the different types of vertigo and ataxia and their causes	E, C, Mi, ACAT	1
Skills		
Take history from patient and attempt to define complaint as either pre-syncope, dizziness or vertigo	Mi, C, D	1
Perform full physical examination to elicit signs of neurological, inner ear or cardiovascular disease including orthostatic hypotension	Mi, C, D	1
Recognise when to request additional tests such as CT scan	E, C	1
Know when to use drugs for dizziness and vertigo and understand their limitations and side effects	E, C	1
Behaviour		
Recognise patient distress when presenting with dizziness and vertigo	ACAT, C	2
Know when to refer to specialist services such as ENT	ACAT, C	3