

RISK ASSESSMENT



CHASSSM

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COGNITION

- Do they have cognitive impairment (i.e. trouble with memory or difficulty concentrating)?
- Are they compliant with their medications?

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HARM

- Do they have thoughts of suicide or attempted suicide?
- Have they engaged in deliberate self-harm or misadventures?
- Have they been self-neglecting (i.e. withdrawal, isolation, disregard for personal hygiene)?
- Are they of risk to others or from others (e.g. domestic violence, exploitation)?

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ABSCONDING

- What is their level of engagement with the hospital staff?
- Are they willing to receive treatment?
- Do they have a history of unplanned discharges?

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SUBSTANCE USE

- Do they use any substances (i.e. cigarettes, recreational drugs, alcohol)?
- How much and how often do they use it?
- If they use recreational drugs, what type(s) do they use and how do they use it (i.e. inhalation, injection, sublingual)?

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SEXUALITY

- Have they been engaging in any risky sexual behaviour (i.e. sexual disinhibition, predatory behaviour, at-risk behaviour)?
- Are they vulnerable to harm in a sexual form (i.e. sexual harassment or abuse)?

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SUPPORTS

- Do they have any social supports (e.g. family, friends)?
- Do they have any dependents who may be at risk of harm (i.e. infants and young children)?
- Do they have any formal supports (e.g. GP, psychiatrist, psychologist)?
- Are they employed?
- What is their living situation?
- How are their finances?
- Do they engage in any social activities? If so, what are they?

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MEDICAL & MENTAL HEALTH

- Do they have any medical conditions?
- Have they suffered from any falls in the last 6-12 months?
- Have they had any incidents of wandering off?
- What is their level of insight into their physical and mental health status?