

Risk Assessment Form for pathways into accommodation outside the UK

Project:

Date of Assessment:

Activity/place being assessed:

Risk Assessor:

Staff involved:

Service user involvement

Minimum standard	Hazard	R	Persons Affected	Existing Controls	R	Future Controls - Action Required	R	Comments
A route into long term safe accommodation that is appropriate for the client's needs.	Rough sleeping in destination country		Client	Consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Does the accommodation offer meet the client's needs? - Is it a sustainable route out of homelessness? - Why did the client leave their home country? - Are there any risks to the client if they were to return, e.g. risk of persecution due to their beliefs or sexuality etc. If so, make sure to discuss with the client's immigration advisor. - What is the current UK travel advice about travel to the home country? Are there any Human Rights concerns about this client returning to the particular area/region/country? - Add sources of information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What are the client's views on any risk of returning? - Include input from the client's immigration advisor if relevant, and any on the ground contacts 				

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Access to or the ability to access documentation that evidences the clients right to reside at the destination.	Lack of appropriate documentation evidencing right to reside in destination country		Client	Consider: - What documentation/ID does the client have? - When was the client last in the destination country? - If ETD only, how will the client obtain longer-term ID?				
A route to financial stability	Destitution		Client	Consider: - How is the client going to meet their basic needs in the destination country? - Does client have a route to income in the destination country e.g. through employment, welfare benefits or through other means? - Support through friends/family or other community networks?				

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Access to healthcare that meets the clients needs	Difficulty accessing support and health services in destination country		Client	Consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Client's support needs - Access to primary and secondary healthcare - Access to treatment - Access to specialised care and support, i.e. consultants, mental health, substance abuse - Is health insurance needed? - Support letters from GP/consultants with recommendations, summary of treatment etc. - Support letters from doctors translated into local language - Does the client have enough medication or prescriptions? - Is a referral needed to specialised support, i.e. day or community centres needed? - What vaccinations are required/advised for entry to the reconnecting country? Does the client require these? https://www.fitfortravel.nhs.uk/destinations - Any CV-19 risks and/or restrictions relevant to the client? 				
Links to friends and family networks or other community networks	Family/friends relationships		Client, family members/ friends	Consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any risky relationships in the destination country? - Risk of domestic abuse? - Risk to others? 				

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Other risks are managed, e.g., criminal convictions or unpaid debts	Being stopped at the border by police/border patrol		Client	Consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Offending history (check assessment) - offer PNC/ACRO checks to clients with offending history - Support letters from their local embassy and/or consulate - A support letter from homelessness professional. 				

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Safe travel to the destination is possible	Journey		Client	<p>Consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is the client fit to travel? Check the airline restrictions to flying: https://www.fitfortravel.nhs.uk/advice/general-travel-health-advice/air-travel - Any risks of reconnection not going to plan? - Any risks around the client not making it to the destination? - Any additional support needed to ensure a smooth handover to services or to facilitate safe travel? - Complexity and length of travel - Can the client manage the journey independently? - Clarity of final destination address and arrangements - English proficiency - Access to relevant information for the client - Communication – access to mobile phone with credit and relevant contact details - Support from staff in UK and in home country during reconnection (from family and/or other professionals; airport/border patrol assistance) - How will client access food and water during journey? Provide practical assistance as needed – where possible this will be in the form of vouchers. - Provision of cash if necessary – local currency and/or pounds - Client issued with details of money exchange shops and opening times if local currency not available. 				

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Immigration advice to understand rights and entitlements including implications of leaving the UK on current and future status.	Reconnection impact on entitlements and ability to return to UK		Client	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure that the client has been offered an immigration advice assessment with a qualified immigration advisor or solicitor. - <i>No clients should be supported to reconnect outside the UK without first being offered to speak to an immigration adviser in order to make an informed decision. This would also apply to clients who want to reconnect even if they have entitlements in the UK.</i> - <i>If the initial immigration consultation shows a meritorious application can be made, client needs to be offered further immigration advice by an immigration advisor or solicitor.</i> - If low merit, explain why this is, e.g. due to lack of evidence or other reason. - Confirm whether there are any ongoing immigration appeals. - If the client has made a EUSS application, check if they have access to it. - Any welfare rights concerns, i.e. does the client have a route to benefits in the UK? 				
Client must have capacity to accept or reject the offer	Lack of capacity		Client	Consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any concerns related to the client's ability to accept or reject a service offer? - Fluctuating/capacity concerns? - EASL's input? - Statutory mental health services and/or Adult Social Care input, if relevant. 				
	Any other risks involved with reconnecting this client			Consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Anything else not captured in the above sections that is relevant to reconnecting this client. 				

The risk level will be determined by the use of the table below. A numeric risk value must be inserted at each risk column.

Assessment of risk:

Looking along the top row, decide on the likely consequence for example if the consequence is death that gives a score of 5. Read down the column and decide on the likelihood of occurrence, for example if you believe it is almost certain to happen you give a score of 5. Circle the box where your two scores meet. In the example above the two scores meet in box 25 so that would be circled, giving a score of 25

Consequence	No harm 1	Low/ Trivial 2	Minor 3	Severe 4	Death 5
Likelihood of Occurrence					
Almost certain 5	5	10	15	20	25
Likely 4	4	8	12	16	20
Possible 3	3	6	9	12	15
Unlikely 2	2	4	6	8	10
Rare 1	1	2	3	4	5