

Health PEI

ACUTE CARE FACILITIES PRACTICE CHANGE NOTIFICATION

[The Health PEI High Risk Behavior Alert](#) policy is now replacing the earlier Violence and Aggressive Behavior Alert Policy and is now being used by all Health PEI Services to ensure compliance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act

All Acute Care Facilities will be going live with the new Violence Assessment Tool Acute on February 3, 2025.

What's New?

1. The **Violence Assessment Tool Acute** is replacing the old **Violence/Aggressive Assessment Checklist** in ADHOC folder and IVIEW.
2. “**High Risk Behavior Alert:**” will replace the earlier **Violence/Aggressive Alert** in upper lefthand corner of the patient demographic bar in the electronic chart:
3. There is a new “**patient safety plan section**” to be completed with patient, to name their behavior triggers and modifiers, for improved patient care plans and outcomes.
4. If the patient’s level of violence risk is moderate, high or very high, **the assessing staff can now, in consultation with their manager, supervisor, clinical lead or delegate, complete the violence/aggressive behavior alert authorization form in adhoc.**
5. If the violence risk diminishes to low level risk during the encounter, **the assessing staff can now remove the “yes” High Risk Behavior Alert in consultation with their manager, supervisor, clinical lead or delegate, by completing the Violent/aggressive alert removal form in adhoc.**

What's the Same?

1. Violence risk screening and assessment occurs with all patients on admission and when any of the risk behaviors occur throughout the encounter.
2. The flag stays on the patient’s chart as long as the violence risk stays moderate, high or very high during the encounter.
3. **Please note:** if the patient had an episode of physical assault within the encounter the **High-Risk Behavior Alert “yes”** is to stay on the patient chart for 2 years, and the alert is to be reapplied if there is a new episode of physical assault during the encounter.

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