

Preliminary risk assessment (PRA)

At a glance

A PRA is required for all Harm Score 1 incidents and any other clinical incidents the CE believes may be due to serious systemic problems. The PRA is privileged, this means that the team cannot be compelled to provide evidence in any legal proceedings. All of the documents and discussions that take place must not be shared with other people



WHO?

The Chief Executive(CE) appoints a team of assessors



WHY?

The assessors undertake a PRA to guide the next steps.



WHAT?

The team interview staff and families. They look at the incident location and file notes.



HOW?

Assessors work through the PRA report template on paper or in ims+.



WHEN?

A PRA is completed within 72 hours of the incident notification



WHAT NEXT?

The PRA is sent to the CE. The findings are discussed with the family. A review is undertaken.