


Name of Policy: <u>Suicide Risk Screening & Assessment</u>	
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(A) Policy Statement

A Suicide Risk screening will be completed on every patient 12 and older and a Suicide Risk Assessment will be completed with every positive screen.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To identify individuals at risk for suicide

(C) Procedure

1. Upon admission a Suicide Risk Screening will be completed as a part of the Diagnostic Assessment process.
2. When a Suicide Screen is positive for a risk of suicide, a complete Suicide Risk Assessment is completed
3. The overall perceived level of risk for suicide, with clinical justification, as well as plans to mitigate the risk for suicide, if applicable, will be documented in the clinical record.
4. A screening and when applicable, a risk assessment will be completed by the clinician when the patient returns to outpatient services following an inpatient hospitalization or when deemed clinically indicated i.e., a change in patient status, endorsement of suicidal ideation, and/or suicidal or self-harm behaviors, gestures, or statements that are outside of the patient’s typical presentation.
5. Clinicians and staff who care for individuals at risk for suicide will participate in regular training and evaluation of competence in the ability to identify individuals at risk.

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