



## Situations or Behaviours of Concern Standards 30 - 32

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# Situations or Behaviours of Concern



 Service providers must have processes in place to ensure staff can effectively respond to unanticipated and anticipated situations or behaviours of concern



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### Unanticipated Situations or Behaviours of Concern



- Situations or behaviours of concern are called "unanticipated" if they are
  - Unpredictable
  - Unplanned
  - Isolated
  - Cause for an emergency response

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- When situations or behaviours have never been seen before – that is, they are unanticipated – no written plans will have yet been developed to deal with them
- However, processes also called approaches are still needed to keep individuals and staff safe until the emergency has passed or a plan is in place

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 Section Overview for unanticipated situations or behaviours of concern

Approaches
- Positive
- Restrictive

Incident Reports

Follow Up

Training

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### **Approaches**



- Approaches
  - Can be positive or restrictive
  - May or may not include the same positive or restrictive options as a planned procedure
  - Are necessary to have in place regardless of the organization's policy on restrictive interventions in a formal, planned procedure

IT'S MANDATORY
that you
Know about
approaches
Have info about
approaches
Know what to do
in an
unanticipated

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### **Incident Reports**





- Incident reporting is done any time there is a situation or behaviour of
  - · that has not been previously identified
  - that is being monitored without a formal plan in place



### Follow Up



- For follow up to be effective
- Management must
  - be made aware of every incident and
  - ensure a review is completed that outlines strategies to address future incidents that are likely to reoccur
  - Timelines must be outlined and adhered to for both
    - the submission of the incident report to management and
    - the review by management



### **Training**



• All staff must be given some form of Non-Violent Crisis Intervention training



• Training equips staff to know what approaches to use if faced with an unanticipated situation or behaviour of concern

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## Anticipated Situations or Behaviours of Concern



Section Overview

Assessment
- Risk
- Functional

Formal Plans
- Positive
- Restrictive

Review

**Training** 

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### Risk Assessment



- Complete a risk assessment or review a current assessment whenever
  - a new behaviour occurs or
  - a current behaviour changes
- The assessment needs to evaluate
  - the degree of potential hurt, harm or loss
  - the likelihood of an individual engaging in the behaviour of concern again

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### **Functional Assessment**



- The next step is to complete a functional assessment to
- determine the operational definition of the behaviour of concern
- establish the antecedents for the behaviour of concern (i.e., triggers, times or situations)



• define the individual's purpose for or reward from the behaviour of concern

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- A functional assessment should include
  - A completed medical assessment
  - A communication assessment
  - An environmental assessment and
  - A review of past history and previous strategies used



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### Formal Plans



- Planned positive procedures and planned restrictive procedures must be written for any formal behaviour plan intervention
- The plans must
  - contain the components outlined in the CET Accreditation Standards
  - address an identified behaviour of concern
  - summarize the risk and functional assessments

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- Is a plan needed?
  - What is the INTENT of the document?
    - For consistency to make an individual's day better?
      - A helpful tip sheet
    - To address an identified behaviour of concern?
      - Specific steps in a plan
      - Documentation and monitoring

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- A committee must review the planned positive or planned restrictive plan before it is implemented
- Once a plan is implemented, a regular review schedule is needed for any planned restrictive procedures



### **Training**



- Staff need training to carry out a behaviour support plan
- · Training should
  - give staff necessary knowledge and skills about the service provider's practices around the use of positive and restrictive procedures
  - be specific to each individual's planned positive and/or planned restrictive procedure

Training for Situations or Behaviours



### Any Questions?



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