

Duty to Warn Guideline Checklist

REPORTING REQUIREMENT: In compliance with provincial legislation and Manitoba Health Seniors and Active Living (MHSAL) <i>Personal Health Information Disclosure Due to Risk of Serious Harm Policy CLI.4110.PL.016</i> -Trustees/Health professionals follow the processes outlined for the determination, disclosure and documentation of an individual’s personal health information related to the risk for serious harm to an individual and/or public safety. Disclosure of Personal Health Information (with or without consent) must be limited to the minimum amount required/needed to know, to lessen the risk of serious harm. ADDITIONAL EDUCATION: NONE REQUIRED	RESPONSIBILITY	
	Healthcare Professional	Direct Supervisor/Manager
INTAKE		
<input type="checkbox"/> A healthcare professional determines that a patient/client is at risk of serious harm to him/herself, towards another individual (group) &/or public safety based on clinical assessment/ consultation.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> The healthcare professional must disclose to the patient/client, or that person’s substitute decision maker, that they have an ethical Duty to Warn other stakeholders and in certain circumstances the local Police /RCMP/First Nations Police Detachments may be notified of a patient/client at risk of serious harm to self, an individual/group and/or to public safety with or without patient/client consent.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> The healthcare professional completes documentation of all discussions, assessments and actions taken by completing the “ <i>Duty to Warn Guideline Form</i> ” and retains the form on the patient’s/client’s health record.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notify your immediate direct Supervisor/ Manager of the event and that a “ <i>Duty to Warn Guideline Form</i> ” has been completed.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	
FOLLOW-UP		
<input type="checkbox"/> The direct Supervisor/Manager follows up and confirms that the healthcare professional completed the “ <i>Duty to Warn Guideline Form</i> ”, and assists with implementing a mitigation plan and strategies/safeguards to prevent future harm.		<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Note		
Once the risk has passed, the disclosure of further Personal Health Information without consent is no longer authorized. Any other disclosure of information to police (Local Police Service or Royal Canadian Mounted Police or First Nations Police Detachment) must be done in accordance with Southern Health Santé Sud Personal Health Information Act Policy (Disclosure of Personal Health Information to Police).		