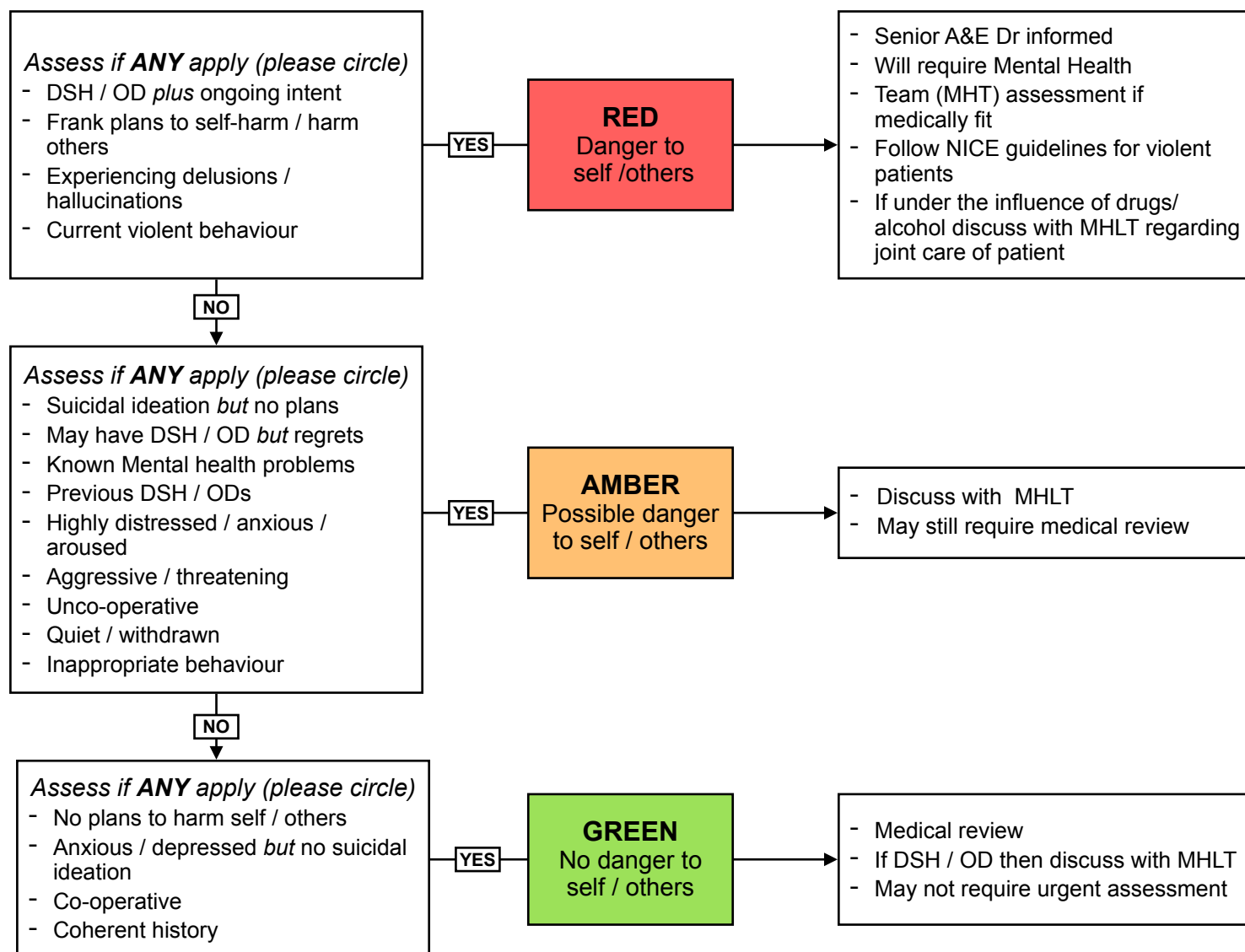


Triage Mental Health Risk Assessment

To be completed for ALL adults age 16 and above attending A&E with:
Deliberate self-harm/overdose or a suspected mental health problem

Name:	DOB:	Hospital no:
Assessed by:	MHLT member handed over to:	Date/Time:



Consider if the patient is medically fit for Mental Health Assessment:

- No underlying physical cause for presenting complaint AND
- Drug / alcohol intoxication NOT primary cause of presenting complaint AND
- Patient physically stable

Patients can be seen directly from Triage by the Mental Health Liaison Team (MHLT) if medically fit and:

- They have been assessed by MHLT within last 72 hours OR
- They are currently on a home treatment programme (ask patient if have CPN or under Community Mental Health Team)

Patient allocated to (please circle)	Cubicle 11	Waiting room
Majors cubicle	UTS	Other:

Checklist for patients awaiting mental health assessment in A&E who are outside of the designated Mental Health Room

Please sign / date the blank column to confirm that the action has been completed

Follow internal (A&E) escalation guide, Senior Manager on-Call (SMOC) if out of hours	
Refer to Mental Health Liaison Team and undertake a joint review of risk factors at point of triage and agree an immediate risk management plan	
Ensure that the patient is placed in a visible area within the department, and that immediate risk management plan is shared with nursing and medical staff for information / action 'No Curtain Policy'	
Check patient property to ensure no risk items are present (including medications) and record any property retained on the property form	
Consider the requirement for enhanced patient observation (HCA) or observation by security team Provide observation at all times as required Document the outcome of this risk assessment	
Consider the risk of harm to other patients in the area whilst the patient is awaiting assessment by the mental health team	
Ensure staff safety if the patient is assessed in a treatment room. Consider leaving the door open or attending with a chaperone/support	
Review the immediate environment to identify and address any potential risks present. Consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Power cables for beds - Grab rails - Blinds with cords - Any potential ligatures - Clothing (belts, shoelaces, jewellery, bed sheets) - Call bells - Oxygen tubing Consider removing the A&E trolley and replacing with chair/mattress to minimise risk of ligature from a height	

NB: Further information and advice regarding MHA/MCA are available on the Safeguarding Adults Intranet page