

Working with Risk (3)
Guidelines for 'Positive Risk-taking'
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DATE/PERIOD OF ASSESSMENT:

What are the reasons for considering taking risks (inc. is it reactive or proactive)?

What are the service user's experiences & understanding of risk?

What are the carer's experiences and understanding of risk?

What actions are you defining as being 'positive risk-taking' for (a) the service user &/or (b) the service practitioners?:

Define the actions/behaviours you determine to be risky:

Define the risk that is being taken:

Define the intended outcomes of the course of action:

What strengths can be identified (to support the risks being taken)?

What are the planned stages (for risk-taking)?

What may be the pitfalls (including estimates of likelihood)?

What are the *early warning signs*?

What safety nets (inc. crisis and contingency plans) can be identified?

What happened the last time this course of action was followed?

How was it managed?

What needs to and can change?

Outline the reasons & formulation why *positive risk-taking* is the course of action in this situation:

How will progress be monitored?

Who agrees to this approach?

Date / /

How & when reviewed:

Signature (for collective accountability)

Service user signature (optional)
