



## General Risk Assessment Form

Division: Social Care Midlands Louth-Meath		Source of Risk: Risk Assessment on Working at Height		
HG/CHO/NAS/Function: CHO 8		Primary Impact Category: Harm to Person		
Hospital Site/Service: Drogheda Service for Older People		Risk Type: <u>Operational</u>		
Dept/Service Site: The Village Residence		Name of Risk Owner (BLOCKS): Seamus Mc Caul		
Date of Assessment: 21/09/2023		Signature of Risk Owner: Seamus Mc Caul		
Unique ID No: RA0010		Risk Co-Ordinator: Andrea Doorly		
		*Risk Assessor (s): Seamus Mc Caul/ Leena Varghese		
**HAZARD & RISK DESCRIPTION	EXISTING CONTROL MEASURES	ADDITIONAL CONTROLS REQUIRED	ACTION OWNER (i.e. the Person responsible for the action)	DUE DATE
<b>Hazard:</b> Working at Height  <b>Risk:</b> Falls from Height, Injury as a result of falling from height	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Avoid working at height where possible</li><li>• Where working at height cannot be avoided staff must select equipment which has been specifically designed for working at height</li><li>• Identify All tasks which are considered as working at height</li><li>• Workers must be able to access and egress from the height safely (selection of the correct working at height equipment is very important.)</li><li>• Equipment must be safe to work from and suitable for the location (the environment) and the works being carried out</li></ul>	Ensure available equipment like ladder are used appropriately .	Maintenance staff  All staff	Sept 2024



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Minimise the risk of falling by having equipment which has handrails in place</li><li>Ladders are to be used for short term short duration use and must be footed whilst in use.</li><li>Chairs and tables are not suitable equipment for working at height and must not be used for working off or standing on</li><li>The area below or surrounding the works area must be corded off</li><li>Persons must not be overloaded when working at a height</li><li>A specific risk assessment must be completed for works which require working in a confined area or works where there is more than occasional works at height.</li><li>Staff must be competent to carry out the works</li><li>Suitable clothing and footwear used for works at height</li><li>Staff must assess the environment to ensure the task can be carried out safely</li></ul>				
INITIAL RISK			Risk Status		
Likelihood	Impact	Initial Risk Rating	Open	Monitor	Closed
2	2	4	✓		



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\*Risk Assessor to be recorded for OSH risks only.

\*\*Where the risk being assessed relates to an OSH risk please ensure that the HAZARD and associated risk are recorded on the form. All other risk assessments require a risk description only.