



Task or activity being assessed: COVID-19 Risk Assessment – Working Practices

Workplace/Service: Sirona Therapeutic Horsemanship CIO - Equine-Assisted Learning & Equine-Assisted Therapy.

Date of this assessment: 30/11/2021

People consulted: Government Guidance, BHS Approved Riding Schools Risk Assessment Considerations, Senior Leadership & Trustees, Devon County Council, Torbay Council, National Youth Agency.

Finalised by: Hannah Burgon CEO

Assessment to be reviewed on: 30/01/22

Previous Revisions: rev 1: 02/04/20, rev 2: 13/05/20, rev 3: 03/06/20, rev 4: 08/09/20, rev 5: 23/10/20, rev 6 28/10/20, rev 7 09/11/2020, rev 8 03/12/20, rev 9 31/12/20, rev 10 15/02/21, rev 11 15.04.21, rev 12 01.06.21, rev 13 06.07.21
 Rev 14 21/07/21, Rev 15 11/10/21

Risk Benefit Analysis – Does this function / task / activity need to be provided?

Benefit of continuing the function / task / activity (tick all that apply)

- Statutory requirement
- Public Safety
- Health & Care
- Safeguarding

Essential business function: EOTAS and Therapeutic provision for vulnerable young people

Level of benefit in continuing Low: Medium: High:

Local Alert Level None

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ <i>Prominent signs displayed relating to local area tier guidance, social distancing, hand washing and PPE.</i> ✦ <i>Tack cleaned after use.</i> ✦ <i>Support of government test, trace and isolate scheme – notices and app QR code still displayed.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ <i>Guidance for use of PPE displayed.</i> ✦ <i>Lateral flow testing by staff / volunteers in line with gov guidance / updates from schools.</i> ✦ <i>No one to attend Sirona if displaying symptoms, tested positive or asked to self-isolate.</i> ✦ <i>Report positive or isolating participants / staff to relevant authority.</i> 	<p><i>Horse care staff</i> <i>All staff / vols</i></p> <p><i>CEO / Admin staff</i></p>	<p><i>Ongoing</i></p> <p><i>Ongoing</i></p> <p><i>Ongoing</i></p>	<p><i>Ongoing</i></p> <p><i>Ongoing</i></p> <p><i>Ongoing</i></p>
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4.	Participant Wellbeing	Participant wellbeing and mental health affected by changes to service and by fear of infection. This includes the negative implication of the reduction of service as a protective factor.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Sirona staff / team to keep in regular contact with participants, parents / carers and referrers. ★ Individual risk assessments conducted on young people / participants where required. ★ Sirona staff / team / trustees to think of new and creative ways along the way if services are reduced or changed. ★ Participants are supported by the minimum number of staff / volunteers / horse handlers required. 	<p>Staff / team to set up assigned tasks and responsibilities with regards to contact and rota/virtual work as needed.</p> <p>Staff / team / trustees to make plans for various eventualities, keeping participant wellbeing at the forefront.</p>	All staff/team / trustee	Ongoing.	Ongoing
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