# Police Observation Form

**Transfer of Care**

The purpose of this form is to guide officers and hospital staff in determining the risk when the officer prepares to leave the hospital. This form is to be completed by the officer **30 MINUTES** after the EDP is brought to St Joseph’s Emergency Department and is based on observations while in the ER. The completed form is to be discussed with nursing staff to determine whether the officers will be able to leave.

**NOTE: EDP FORM IS ALSO TO BE COMPLETED**

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<th>INCIDENT NUMBER</th>
<th>DATE Y Y M M D D</th>
<th>TIME OBSERVATION STARTED</th>
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<tr>
<td>EDP NAME (SURNAME,GIVEN1,GIVEN2)</td>
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**DURING THE OBSERVATION PERIOD, WAS THE EDP UNCOOPERATIVE?**

- [ ] YES
- [ ] NO

### PHYSICAL BEHAVIOURS

- [ ] Rapid/Abrupt Movements
- [ ] Increased Muscle Tension
- [ ] Intense Eye Contact
- [ ] Pacing
- [ ] Threatening Gestures
- [ ] Damaging Property
- [ ] Assaultive
- [ ] Intimidating Postures

**OBSERVED**

- [ ] YES
- [ ] NO

### VERBAL EXPRESSION

- [ ] Swearing
- [ ] Paranoid
- [ ] Talking Excessively
- [ ] Talking Loudly
- [ ] Refuses to Communicate
- [ ] Other
- [ ] Belligerent
- [ ] Angry

**OBSERVED**

- [ ] YES
- [ ] NO

- [ ] Threatening - IF YES: [ ] Direct [ ] Conditional [ ] Vague

### HISTORY

- [ ] YES
- [ ] NO

Does the officer have knowledge of any history (past/present) of any violent, threatening, or impulsive behaviour (CPIC/Niche)?

Describe:

- [ ] YES
- [ ] NO

Does the officer have knowledge of any history of the EDP walking away from the hospital or mental health facilities, e.g. Form 9?

Describe:

- [ ] YES
- [ ] NO

Does the officer have knowledge of the EDP recently using drugs or alcohol?

Describe:

- [ ] YES
- [ ] NO

### DISPOSITION

**HIGH RISK**

- [ ] Many verbal and physical indicators are demonstrated in the 30 minute observation period. EDP is not cooperative. Has a history of violence or of absconding from institutions. Recent substance abuse.

**MODERATE RISK**

- [ ] Some verbal and physical indicators are demonstrated in the 30 minute observation period. EDP is cooperative some of the time. May have a history of violence or absconding from institutions. May have had recent substance abuse.

**LOW RISK**

- [ ] No indicators are checked off - EDP is docile and cooperative during the 30 minute observation period. No history of violence or absconding. No recent substance abuse.

**Descriptors are GUIDELINES ONLY**

**OFFICER LEFT EDP AT FACILITY:**

- [ ] YES - Time Officer left:
- [ ] NO - Officer remained with EDP for the following reasons:

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS OR OBSERVATIONS

The below signatures indicate agreement with the behaviours observed and the disposition checked:

- Hospital Staff: ___________________________ Time: _____________
- Police Officer: ___________________________ Badge Number: ________ Time: _____________
- Police Returned to Facility: Time: _____________
- Reason: ___________________________

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