

Risk Assessments

The Community Care Facilities Licensing Program in Fraser Health uses a provincial tool to conduct risk assessments of facilities. A risk assessment is required due to non-compliance posing a risk to persons in care or children in a facility.

➤ **What is a Risk Assessment?**

A risk assessment is a careful examination of non-compliance to identify possible harm to persons in care or children.

➤ **How does the Risk Assessment Tool work?**

- Child Care, Adult, and Child and Youth facilities licensed under the *Community Care and Assisted Living Act* receive routine inspections from Licensing Officers. These inspections review your facility's compliance in the following broad areas:
 - Care and/or supervision
 - Policies and procedures
 - Licensing
 - Medication
 - Nutrition and food services
 - Physical facility, equipment and furnishings
 - Hygiene and communicable disease control
 - Program
 - Records and reporting
 - Staffing
- When a routine inspection is conducted, the Licensing Officer will also conduct a risk assessment. The Risk Assessment Tool has two parts. Parts A and B must be completed to create a Facility Risk Score:
 - Part A: Inspection Risk Assessment - based on the comprehensive routine inspection. Licensing Officers will assess the scope and severity of observed non-compliance, if any.
 - Part B: Operational History Assessment - based on the previous 3 years of the facilities operation. Licensing Officers will examine the action of the licensee in the areas of Reportable Incidents, Inspection and Monitoring, and Investigations.
- The Risk Assessment Tool is scored out of 40 and will determine the facility's overall risk rating. A facility is categorized as being:
 - Low Risk if the score is between 3 and 13.
 - Medium Risk if the score is between 14 and 20.
 - High Risk if the score is between 21 and 40.

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➤ **What does the Facility Risk Rating mean?**

Facilities with higher risk ratings may require increased monitoring to ensure precautions and/or actions are taken to protect the health, safety and well-being of children or persons in care at a facility.

Facility risk ratings are used to guide inspection frequency. Facilities with:

- Low Risk rating will be inspected at least once in the following fiscal year.
- Medium Risk rating will be inspected at least twice in the following fiscal year.
- High Risk rating will be inspected at least three times in the following fiscal year.

➤ **How will I know what my Facility Risk Rating is?**

A copy of the completed Risk Assessment will be provided to you at the time of your inspection. Licensing Officers will explain the Facility Risk Score to you and answer any questions you might have about your score and the considerations they used to determine the values used.

To contact the local licensing office by phone, please call
Population Public Health Central Call Centre at:

604-587-3936

and request to be connected to your local area office.

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