

# Home Assessment Checklist

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## Quality issue / initial problem

If issues at home are not effectively identified for a psychiatric inpatient then discharge home can be prevented or delayed.

## Specific aim

Early assessment of home living conditions to more quickly identify and resolve barriers to discharge.

## Measurement of improvement - checklist

Utilities	White Goods	Furnishing	Other
Shower/bath	Fridge	Seating	Front door secure
Heating	Cooker	Bed /bedding	General condition
Hot water	Microwave	Pots, pans, crockery	Infestation
Meter	Washing		Access issues

## Tests of change

- Draft checklist .
- Feedback sought and modified.
- Version 2 used to assess home living conditions.

## Tools

- Feedback obtained from staff using checklist.
- Process map

## Effects of change

Early identification of required remedial work can speed up discharge.  
Looking to incorporate into SCAMPER, TRAK and seek CMHT involvement.

## Lessons learned and message for others

Perseverance required, takes much more time to do even small things.  
Small changes can make a big difference.  
Colleagues are receptive to helping.