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| Service user details (person suspected of using family violence) | |
| Full Name: | Alias: |
| Date of Birth: | Also known as: |
| Gender:  Male  Female  Self-described (please specify)  Client preferred not to say  Unknown | Intersex:  Yes  No  Client preferred not to say  Unknown |
| Transgender:  Yes  No  Client preferred not to say  Unknown | Sexuality:  Same sex/gender attracted  Heterosexual/other gender attracted  Multi-gender attracted  Asexual  None of the above  Client preferred not to say  Unknown |
| Primary address: | Current Location: |
| Contact number: | Comments: |
| Relationship to victim survivor: | Service provider client ID: |
| Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander  Aboriginal Mob/Tribe:  Torres Strait Islander  Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander  Client preferred not to say  Neither  Not known | CALD  Yes  No  Not known  LGBTIQ  Yes  No  Not known  People with disabilities  Yes  No  Not known  Cognitive, physical, sensory disability:  Rural  Yes  No  Not known  Older person  Yes  No  Not known |
| Was a language or Auslan interpreter used? | Yes  No (If yes, what type): |
| Country of birth: | Year of arrival in Australia: |
| Are you on a visa? | Yes  No (If yes, what type): |
| Language mainly spoken at home: |  |
| Emergency contact:  Relationship to service user: | Name:  Contact Number: |
| Further details | |

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| Ex/partner, family member, person in care, third party (potential victim survivor) | |
| Full Name: | Alias: |
| Date of Birth: | Also known as: |
| Gender:  Female  Male  Self-described (please specify)  Client preferred not to say  Unknown | Intersex:  Yes  No  Client preferred not to say  Unknown |
| Transgender:  Yes  No  Client preferred not to say  Unknown | Sexuality:  Same sex/gender attracted  Heterosexual/other gender attracted  Multi-gender attracted  Asexual  None of the above  Client preferred not to say  Unknown |
| Primary address: | Current Location: |
| Contact number: | Comments: |
| Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander  Aboriginal Mob/Tribe:  Torres Strait Islander  Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander  Client preferred not to say  Neither  Not known | CALD  Yes  No  Not known  LGBTIQ  Yes  No  Not known  People with disabilities  Yes  No  Not known  Cognitive, physical, sensory disability:  Rural  Yes  No  Not known  Older person  Yes  No  Not known |
| Country of birth: | Year of arrival in Australia: |
| Are they on a visa? | Yes  No (If yes, what type): |
| Language mainly spoken at home: |  |
| Further details | |

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| Child 1 Details# (potential victim survivor/s) | #Separate risk assessment must be completed |
| Full Name: | Alias: |
| Date of Birth: | Also known as: |
| Gender:  Male  Female  Self-described (please specify)  Client preferred not to say  Unknown | Intersex:  Yes  No  Client preferred not to say  Unknown |
| Transgender:  Yes  No  Client preferred not to say  Unknown | Sexuality:  Same sex/gender attracted  Heterosexual/other gender attracted  Multi-gender attracted  Asexual  None of the above  Client preferred not to say  Unknown |
| Primary address: | Current Location: |
| Contact number: | Comments: |
| Relationship to victim survivor: | Relationship to person suspected of using violence: |
| Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander  Aboriginal Mob/Tribe:  Torres Strait Islander  Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander  Client preferred not to say  Neither  Not known | CALD  Yes  No  Not known  LGBTIQ  Yes  No  Not known  People with disabilities  Yes  No  Not known  Cognitive, physical, sensory disability:  Rural  Yes  No  Not known |

# Section 1 – Observed Narratives or behaviours indicating or disclosing use of family violence risk factors

| Item Includes family violence risk to adult victim survivor (partner, ex-partner, older person, person in care, family member) or child/young person victim survivor | | |
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| Observed narratives: Beliefs or attitudes | | Comment/detail  of observation |
| Makes statements that indicate sexist, misogynistic, homophobic, biphobic, transphobic, ableist, ageist or racist beliefs (denigrating person or group based on identity) | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Makes statements that indicate gendered entitlement to power, control and decision making | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Makes statements that indicate belief in ownership over victim survivor | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Comments negatively on victim survivor’s decisions and actions | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Pathologises victim survivor (describing their behaviour or presentation as behavioural disorder, mental illness or addiction) | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Displays limited empathy or desire to understand experiences of victim survivor | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Complains that victim survivor does not show them ‘respect’ | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Openly dismisses victim survivor’s viewpoints and/or needs, particularly if it conflicts with their own | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| [Adult victim survivor only] Makes decisions for adult victim survivor | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| [If applicable] Displays indictors of ownership and entitlement, in relation to children and rights to access and/or custody | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| [If applicable] Threatens to report partner/ex-partner to authorities about their ‘poor parenting’ | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| [If applicable] Criticises ex/partner’s parenting (put downs, devaluing worth) | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Observed behaviours: Physical / verbal behaviour | |  |
| Displays controlling behaviour | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Displays indicators of jealousy and/or possessiveness | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Displays indicators of fixation with victim survivor’s actions and whereabouts (monitoring, rumination and intent focus) | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Controls adult victim survivor’s finances and/or access to employment | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Demonstrates threatening non-verbal behaviour (physical standover, intrusion into personal space) | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Hostile language and attitudes towards authority figures and systems | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Talks about victim survivor in emotionally abusive or degrading ways | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Interrupts, corrects and/or dominates victim survivor in conversation | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Raises voice and/or yells | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Is violent and/or controlling towards victim survivor before, during or after the session | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Insists on sitting in on appointments with victim survivor | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Discloses any harm or threat to harm animals or pets | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Physical signs of violent altercation (on victim survivor or person suspected of using violence) | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Expresses feelings of excessive anger that is ‘outside their control’ | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Discloses that they have targeted and/or damaged victim survivor’s property | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Observed narratives: Minimising or justifying |  |  |
| Minimising physical harm and/or neglectful behaviour | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Direct comments or euphemisms that could indicate use of violence | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Presents or talks about themselves as the real victim (victim stance) | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Presents as having difficulty with emotional and/or behavioural regulation | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Uses impulsivity as a justification of violent and abusive behaviours (may relate to presenting needs such as mental health, use of alcohol/drugs) | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Observed narrative or behaviour: Practitioner experience | |  |
| Tries to get you [professional] to agree with their negative views about partner or family member [invitation to collude] throughout service engagement, over time | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Practitioner observes or feels intimidated, manipulated and/or controlled during sessions | Yes  No  Not known |  |
| Immediate risk |  |  |
| Discloses a targeted threat against any person | Yes  No  Not known |  |

# Section 2: Presenting needs and circumstances (related to risk or protective factors)[[1]](#footnote-1)

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| Consider the person’s context: | | Note any presenting needs or circumstances that could be stabilised or protective factors that could be strengthenedNote link to any identified risk factors |
| Personal identity, status of relationships/dynamics[[2]](#footnote-2) | | |
| Personal identity, attributes and experiences | |  |
| Partner (current/former), children, other family members | |  |
| Social and community connections[[3]](#footnote-3) | | |
| Connection to friends or extended family network | |  |
| Connection/sense of belonging to community, cultural groups, networks, social media, clubs | |  |
| Presence of systems interventions RF | | |
| Police, Child Protection, Court, Corrections or other coordinated interventions | |  |
| Practical or environmental issues | | |
| Aboriginal cultural or diverse community support services |  | |
| Professional or therapeutic services, counselling, RF  disability services, medical or mental health services RF | |  |
| Centrelink or employment services,­ RF financial counselling, housing or homelessness, tenancy or private rental services | |  |
| Legal services, migration services | |  |
| Communication (e.g. access to telephone, social media[[4]](#footnote-4)), transport | |  |

# Section 3: Decision on presence of risk indicators/factors

| Observed narratives or behaviours indicate or disclose use of family violence risk (to adult or child victim survivor): | Not indicated  Indicated  Requires immediate intervention |
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| Risk to self (disclosed risk of suicide or self-harm): | Not indicated  Indicated  Requires immediate intervention |
| Risk indicated to any other person in community  (including you/professional) | Not indicated  Indicated  Requires immediate intervention |
| Have you used this tool to determine the predominant aggressor? (responding to misidentification) | Yes  No |
| Is further assessment required to determine the predominant aggressor?  (if uncertain)  If yes, update your records and share information with other professionals | Yes  No  Shared with: |
| Has Intermediate Assessment been completed?  If immediate risk is present, consider flow diagram at **Appendix 1**. | Yes  No  Referral made for Intermediate Assessment |
| Has information been shared? (add lines as needed) | Yes  No  Comment/detail of information shared:  Shared with: |
| Actions: | Comment/detail of actions: |

1. Information about needs and circumstances is risk-relevant for purposes of information sharing to support understanding of person using violence in context to their family violence behaviours. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Relationship may or may not be with the identified victim survivor. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Consider if family, social and community connections indicate they reinforce narratives or behaviours. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Note any other identified methods used by person using violence to contact adult or child victim survivor [↑](#footnote-ref-4)