

Non-Suspicious Sudden Death - primary Investigation frontline - checklist

Mandatory. Justify/record your decision if not compliant.		Discretionary. Use your professional judgement.	???
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This checklist sets the minimum standard that must be achieved. Further work must be undertaken where appropriate.

Immediate Actions

<u>Action</u>	<u>√</u>
This checklist contains non-suspicious/unexplained sudden death actions. In addition, the General Investigation toolkit should also be complied with.	
Notify supervisor.	
Treat the scene as suspicious until circumstances dictate otherwise. If circumstances are deemed suspicious or death is unexplained, notify borough secondary investigators.	
Where deceased is aged from birth to 2 years and death is non-suspicious or unexplained, see Project Indigo .	
Identify, assess and manage risk	
Utilise power of entry under S17 PACE (to save life and limb). Fully record your method of entry and any damage done upon doing so. Justify your actions and record in EAB.	???
Wear protective clothing - gloves, masks etc.	
Check the body for any signs of life. Also check for noticeable injuries or marks. Fully record on body map in EAB.	
Provide/request medical aid (unless clear evidence the person is dead)	???
Ascertain what has happened at the scene - contact CCC and ensure CAD is updated with your findings.	
Request attendance of GP or ambulance if no GP identified. Make note of the time/date that 'life extinct' is pronounced.	