Risk identification – questions from the Police Central Referral Unit

FACTORS	YES	NO
Is there any information that the person is likely to cause self-harm or attempt suicide?		
2. Is the person suspected to be subject of a crime in progress, eg abduction?		
3. Is the person vulnerable due to age, infirmity or any other factor?		
4. Are there inclement weather conditions that would seriously increase risk to health, especially where the missing person is a child or elderly person?		
5. Does the missing person need essential medication or treatment not readily available to them?		
6. Does the missing person have any physical illness, disability or mental health problems?		
7. Do you believe that the person may not have the ability to interact safely with others or in an unknown environment?		
8. Has the person been involved in a violent, homophobic and/or racist incident or confrontation immediately prior to disappearance?		
9. Has the person been the subject of bullying?		
10. Previously disappeared AND suffered or was exposed to harm?		
11. Is the behaviour out of character and likely to be an indicator of their being exposed to harm?		

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