



Initial Screening Tool

Title of policy/service/function/procedure/ programme/ or strategy being assessed: **TP45 Use of BASICSA by LAS**

Is it new or revised

(If revised, please attach a copy of the original Equality Impact Assessment.)

Senior Manager Responsible : Senior Clinical Advisor

Department Medical Directorate

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Please summarise below the aims and objectives of this policy/service/function etc. including any intended outcomes.

This policy and procedure covers the interfaces and relationships between the LAS and BASICS (London). The Policy recognises that BASICS is a charitable organisation with a limited number of members who respond on a voluntary basis to calls for assistance when available.

Objectives

1. To set a framework to provide assurance that BASICS (London) can support their members who agree to work with the LAS.
2. To dispatch the most appropriate available BASICS (London) resource(s) to any incident to which the LAS are called.
3. To give guidance to the Clinical Co-ordination Desk about its role in the selection and dispatch of BASICS (London) resources.

Please state below who is intended to benefit from this policy/service/function etc. and in what way.

clinical staff and patients Ambulance technicians and paramedics are trained to set standards and possess certain skills and experience in caring for patients from the time of injury or onset of acute medical problem to their arrival at hospital. BASICS (London) can if required bring additional skills in the overall management of a patient. This may involve advanced assessment of the patient, specialised analgesia and anaesthesia, and surgical procedures. They also have an important role in scene management, triage to the most appropriate facility, and providing medical advice and support to ambulance crews via the telephone if required.

Please state in the table below whether the policy/service/function etc. could have any potential impact on any of the equality strand groups, whether service users, staff or other stakeholders

Equality Strand Group	Is there likely to be a positive or neutral impact in regard to:	If the impact is adverse, can this be justified on the grounds of promoting equality of opportunity for an equality strand group or for another reason?
Age	Neutral	
Disability	Neutral	
Gender	Neutral	
Race	Neutral	
Religion or Belief	Neutral	
Sexual Orientation	Neutral	



Please provide and summarise below any relevant evidence for your declaration above – this could include for example the results of specific consultations, complaints or compliments, customer satisfaction or other surveys, service monitoring and take-up, comments from stakeholders and demographic data.

BASICS is a nationally recognized organization in the provision of skilled medical assistance to the UK Ambulance Services.

Are there any gaps in the evidence you have which make it difficult for you to determine whether there would be an adverse impact?

No Yes

If yes, please state below how you intend to acquire this evidence and your timescales for doing so.

If you have identified a positive or negative potential impact for any equality strand group, which is not legal or justifiable, then you must complete a full Equality Impact Assessment. Please insert below any issues you have identified/recommendations for the full Equality Impact Assessment.

If you have only identified a neutral or positive impact on any equality strand group then no further action is required, other than having your Director sign off this form, a copy stored on the shared drive and sent to Communications for publication on the Trust's website.

Name of Director: Fionna Moore (Medical Director)

Signature:

Date: /05/10

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