

Panorama Immunization Module Policies

TOPIC:	Risk Factors		
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POLICY:

Risk factors related to vaccine eligibility will be documented in Panorama.

PURPOSE:

Panorama users will ensure that all applicable *risk factors* are documented consistently in Panorama. The vaccine forecaster is triggered by many of the risk factors and therefore impacts the forecasting of future immunizations in specific populations.

PROCEDURE:

Panorama users will discuss the documentation of risk factors in Panorama with the client during the consent process where applicable. This may include an additional review of the current version of the *Protecting the Privacy of Your Immunization Record* (PHNP 63) fact sheet with the client and when appropriate a discussion of the additional privacy options available in Panorama.

Client risk factors are documented in the Risk Factors screen (under **Client**). Ensure that all applicable risk factors are added using the **Risk Factor** drop down list and complete all **mandatory** fields.

- The **Specify** field is not to be used to add detail about the risk factor. This field is for the documentation of information about the reporter and is activated when the **Reported By** field is filled.
- The risk factor categories (conventions) were developed to reduce the entry of sensitive information while balancing the need to know for the provision of safe immunization services.

For some risk factors (e.g. immunocompromised) the Panorama user must also document a contraindication or precaution (special consideration) in the Add Special Consideration screen (in Record & Update Imms).

Risk factors that are no longer applicable can be deleted. Ensure you are following best practice guidelines for clinical documentation when deleting risk factors and first consider using the **End Date** field (when functional) in the Risk Factors screen if more appropriate.

- Risk factors with an end date are still visible in the Risk Factors screen but deleted risk factors are removed from the Risk Factors screen and are no longer visible.

Alert:

There is a known functional defect in Panorama that results in the invalidation of historical vaccine doses if start and end dates are used for risk factors. Until otherwise advised – **DO NOT** enter information into the **Start Date** field or **End Date** field in the Risk Factors screen.

Reminder:

The display of risk factors in Panorama can be blocked through the use of Consent Directives (see the Consent Blocking – Privacy policy and the Panorama Privacy Workshop recording).

REFERENCES & RESOURCES:

Saskatchewan Immunization Manual, Chapter 7 *Immunization of Special Populations* -

<https://www.ehealthsask.ca/services/Manuals/Pages/SIM.aspx>

Saskatchewan Immunization Manual, Chapter 10 *Biological Products* -

<https://www.ehealthsask.ca/services/Manuals/Pages/SIM.aspx>

Saskatchewan Immunization Manual, Chapter 5 *Immunization Schedules* -

<https://www.ehealthsask.ca/services/Manuals/Pages/SIM.aspx>

Canadian Immunization Guide Evergreen Edition – Part 3 *Vaccination of Specific Populations* -

<http://healthycanadians.gc.ca/publications/healthy-living-vie-saine/3-canadian-immunization-guide-canadien-immunisation/index-eng.php>

- Policies/Bulletins:

Consent Blocking - Privacy –

<https://www.ehealthsask.ca/services/panorama/Pages/Access-Training-Resources.aspx>

Bulletin 0017 - Risk Factor Alert and Risk Factor Categories –

<http://www.ehealthsask.ca/services/panorama/immun/Pages/Bulletins.aspx>

Add Risk Factors -

<https://www.ehealthsask.ca/services/panorama/Pages/Immunizations.aspx>

Forecaster Handbook –

<https://www.ehealthsask.ca/services/panorama/Pages/Access-Training-Resources.aspx>

Privacy Workshop Recording –

<https://vimeo.com/album/4045016/video/184041341>