

NPSG-15 Policy-Mapping Checklist

Use this checklist to map your rounding/observation policy to NPSG.15.01.01. For each category, note where it appears in policy/SOPs, how it is evidenced in practice, and who owns it.

Screening & Risk Assessment

Universal screening for suicide risk; evidence-based assessment when positive; documentation of risk level and rationale for observation level.

Where in Policy/SOP	Evidence in Practice	Owner	Gaps/Actions

Observation/Monitoring

Defined observation levels (e.g., line of sight, 1:1, q15/q30/q60) with criteria to increase/decrease; interval-true rounding; 'not found' escalation and time targets.

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Environment of Care / Ligature Risk

Environmental risk assessment; mitigation actions; linkage to observation decisions in high-risk areas.

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Handoffs & Transitions

Shift-to-shift/device-to-device transfer of responsibility; processes for off-unit procedures (freeze/suspend) and immediate verification on return; discharge planning alignment.

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Documentation & Auditability

Real-time, time-stamped entries; location verification prompts; offline capture with automatic sync; dashboards for approaching due/overdue.

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Escalation & Rapid Response

Clear thresholds for escalation (behavioral change, inability to locate, late beyond defined window); who is called, within what time.

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Training & Competency

Initial and ongoing competencies on observation technique, de-escalation, documentation quality, and use of devices/tools.

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Need a quick walkthrough of interval-true rounding?

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Final Readiness Check

- Can you connect each requirement to a written policy?
- Can staff explain how it is executed in practice?
- Can you produce proof immediately?
- Is ownership clearly defined?