

Observing and Rating your Organisation's Environment

Please tick appropriate box	Yes	Needs improvement	No	Not relevant
Getting to the service				
Phone information is offered using plain, everyday words.				
Clear instructions are provided on how to get there.				
Interpreter services are offered when required.				
Disabled car parking is available.				
Public transport is available.				
Entrance				
Name of the organisation is clearly visible from outside (carpark, street).				
Disability access (ramps and/or service elevator) are available.				
An entry sign can be seen from the street.				
Signs use plain, everyday words.				
A reception desk is near the entrance.				
A sign shows where the reception desk is.				
Assistance				
Someone is available at or near the main entrance to help people.				
Any sign-in procedures are clearly visible and simple.				
Interpreter services are available.				
Staff offer to help consumers complete paperwork.				
A support person is welcomed.				
Access to other appropriate assistance is provided – eg. showers, laundry, clothing exchange.				

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Waiting area/s				
Are toilets and exits clearly signed				
Water and tissues are available.				
There are enough stable, supportive chairs for standard client numbers.				
Temperature, drafts and noise levels are controlled.				
Appropriate reading material is provided.				
Posters are informative and visually appealing and there are an appropriate number of them				
There are clean toys/activities for children.				
If required, an alternative waiting area is available for individuals.				
Signs advertise the availability of interpreter services.				
Interview area/s				
Sound barriers ensure confidentiality.				
Water and tissues are available				
There are stable, supportive chairs.				
Posters are informative and visually appealing.				
Appropriate quiet, well-lit area to encourage conversation and ensure privacy and confidentiality.				
Signage				
Consistent language/graphics are used on signs throughout the building.				
Toilets and exits are clearly signed.				
Signage uses large, clearly visible lettering.				
The names of any service areas are clearly visible.				
Information & engagement				
Consumers have been involved in all aspects of environmental assessment.				
Written materials for consumers have been developed with consumers.				
Translated materials are available in the primary community languages.				
Website and any social media follows plain language guidelines.				