



# **Code of Conduct**

Governance & Information Risk Assurance (Gira) Procedure

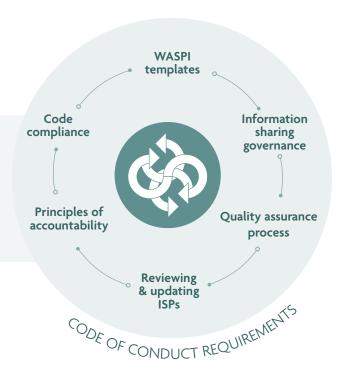


# INTRODUCTION

The Governance and Information Risk Assurance (GIRA) is a required annual assessment which will be reviewed by the monitoring body in respect of each code member to ensure that the organisation meets a set of minimum requirements to continue to be an approved code of conduct member.

The GIRA focuses on monitoring and measuring that a code member continues to meet standards expected and to enable a code member to provide evidence of its organisational controls aligned to the WASPI code of conduct requirements.

The GIRA is the annual self-assessment that each code member will complete to evidence how they continue to meet the requirements of the Code of Conduct, specifically those relevant to requirements 2-5 of the WASPI Code of Conduct, with requirements 1 and 6 continually assessed as part of code member engagement with WASPI.





Complying with the GIRA process is part of the evidence of compliance set out within requirement 6 of the Code of Conduct and will support the 3-year audit programme that each code member would be required to undertake.

The diagram below shows the 3-year Code of Conduct cycle, showing how the GIRA and the Audit Programme interact.

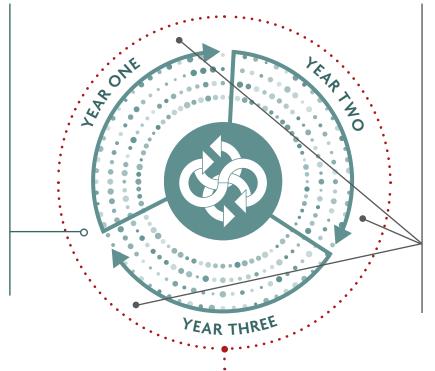
#### WASPI CODE OF CONDUCT – 3 YEAR CYCLE FOR CODE MEMBERS

#### START

Prospective Code

Member complete and
submit the application
form to the Monitoring
Body. The Monitoring
Body reviews and
approves the application
for Code Membership.

Application is only completed once.



# GOVERNANCE & INFORMATION RISK ASSURANCE (GIRA)

The GIRA will need to be completed by the Code

Member in advance of annual membership expiring.

This is due a minimum of 8 weeks prior to expiration of membership but no sooner than 12 weeks before expiration.

#### **AUDIT PROGRAMME**

To supplement the assessment of the GIRA, the monitoring body will undertake a comprehensive audit programme. Code Members commit to be subject to a **audit a minimum of once every three years.** 



## **Process**

The GIRA must be completed in advance of annual membership expiring. To ensure the accuracy of review this must be issued to the monitoring body at least 8 weeks prior to expiration of membership but no sooner than 12 weeks before expiration.

As a self-assessment the GIRA will be considered by the monitoring body to determine if appropriate evidence has been provided that demonstrates that the code member remains compliant with the code of conduct requirements.

Each area of the assessment will be rated:







RAG	Assessment Explanation
RED	Area of assessment determined by the monitoring body to have failed to meet evidence to demonstrate compliance with the control requirement for code membership.
AMBER	Area of assessment determined by the monitoring body to have supplied sufficient evidence to demonstrate compliance with the control requirement for code membership, with areas to improve assessment rating suggested.
GREEN	Area of assessment determined by the monitoring body to have supplied more than sufficient evidence to demonstrate compliance with the control requirement for code membership.



Where a code members' assessment has identified any areas which fail to meet, or where insufficient evidence has not been submitted to demonstrate meeting, essential requirements of the Code of Conduct, the code member will have 3 weeks to evaluate the response from the date of the assessment being issued by the monitoring body and to resubmit assurance, evidence and/or commitment of improvements to be implemented.

A re-evaluation will be completed within 2 weeks by the monitoring body and determination of this communicated back to the code member to enable a code members' membership with the Code of Conduct to continue before expiration.

Where this timeframe is not followed by the code member, or evidence/resubmission is not received, or reassessed as

meeting the required criteria, the code member will be notified of their suspension from the Code of Conduct and have the rights of appeal/complaint as set out within the WASPI Code of Conduct Appeals and Complaints Procedure.

The monitoring body will maintain a record of GIRA assessments and evidence provided and this may be considered as part of future assessments, or to consider any complaints made against a code member. This information may also be shared with any other regulatory bodies as part of audits and inspections obligations they may be subject to, including inspectors such as Audit Wales and Care Inspectorate Wales.

The annual Governance & Information Risk Assurance assessment is attached to this procedure.





## **Versions**

Amended	Version	Status	Date	Purpose of change
D. Parsons	0.1	Draft	November 2022	Inital Draft

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Management direction for information sharing:  To provide management direction and support for information governance and data sharing requirements and relevant laws and regulations.	A.1 Do you have a SIRO/DPO/ Caldicott Guardian/ Lead or Chief Officer (or equivalent Board level member) that manages the organisation's information risk management framework and information	
information sharing:  To provide management direction and support for information governance and data sharing requirements and	Caldicott Guardian/ Lead or Chief Officer (or equivalent Board level member) that manages the organisation's information risk management	
To provide management direction and support for information governance and data sharing requirements and	Chief Officer (or equivalent Board level member) that manages the organisation's information risk management	
	sharing responsibilities?  Please explain your response.	
RAG Rating		
	A.2 Does your senior	
	responsible officer (as	
	outlined above) have	
	visibility of and sign off your	
	organisations Information	
	Sharing Protocols?	
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	<b>A.3</b> Does your organisation	
	have access to information	
	protocols such as Freedom	
	of Information and Subject	
	Access, in place which align	
	to any Information Sharing	
	Protocols?	
WASPI Monitoring Body con	nments/observations	
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RAG Rating		
	<b>A.4</b> Please provide details of	
	all systems used to securely	
	share personal data with	
	partners as part of active	
	Information Sharing Protocols.	
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	systems used to securely	
	share data.	
WASPI Monitoring Body con	nments/observations	
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RAG Rating		



Section B – The principles of a	ccountability (RQ5)		
Overarching Control	Control Question	Y/N	Code member response
Objectives			
Data protection & data	<b>B.1</b> Please confirm what		
sharing awareness, education	training arrangements you		
& training:	have in place to support		
To ensure that employees	officers with understanding		
and contractors are aware of	their requirements of data		
and fulfil their information	sharing activities and use of		
security responsibilities.	personal/special category		
	data.		
RAG Rating			
	<b>B.2</b> Please provide details		
	of staff your organisation		
	have to support Information		
	Sharing Protocols		
WASPI Monitoring Body comn	nents/observations		
RAG Rating			



	<b>B.3</b> Please provide details of	
	how your organisation offers	
	support/training/guidance to	
	staff on the development of	
	Information Sharing Protocols	
	and the WASPI code of	
	conduct.	
WASPI Monitoring Body comm	ments/observations	
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	<b>B.4</b> Please provide evidence	
	of any privacy notices/	
	policies you have in place	
	which represent data sharing	
	activities with current	
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WASPI Monitoring Body comm	nents/observations	
RAG Rating		



Section C – Information Shari	ng Protocols and a commitment	to rev	iew and update agreements (RQ4)
Overarching Control	Control Question	Y/N	Code member response
Objectives			
Appropriate contact with	C.1 Please confirm how your		
relevant authorities and	organisation engages with		
special interest groups	and regularly communicates		
shall be maintained and	with its information sharing		
existing Information Sharing	partners. Examples may		
Protocols compliance.	include relevant partnership		
	boards/groups, cluster hubs,		
	regional quality assurance		
	groups or others, where		
	information sharing is regularly		
	discussed.		
RAG Rating			
	C.2 Please provide details		
	of any Information Sharing		
	Protocols created or reviewed		
	over the past 12 months and		
	evidence of the process		
	followed to ensure these have		
	followed WASPI processes		
	including quality assurance		
	mechanisms		



WASPI Monitoring Body comments/observations		
RAG Rating		
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	C.3 Does your organisation	
	have any Information Sharing	
	Protocols for which you	
	are the lead organisation	
	which have not been	
	reviewed for over 2 years?	
	Please detail these ISPs and	
	detail any planned or ongoing	
	measures in place to ensure	
	these are reviewed	
WASPI Monitoring Body com	ments/observations	
RAG Rating		
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Overarching Control	Control Question	Y/N	Code member response
Objectives			
Supporting quality assurance	<b>D.1</b> Does your organisation		
processes to ensure to	attend and contribute to any		
maintain the integrity of the	of the five Regional Quality		
standard templates.	Assurance Groups? If you		
	are a standing member of		
	one of the Regional Quality		
	Assurance Groups, please		
	provide details of attendance		
	by your organisation during		
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RAG Rating		
	<b>D.3</b> Please provide details of	
	ISPs which your organisation	
	have issued for initial quality	
	assurance and successfully	
	agreed and signed off with	
	partner organisations over the	
	past 12 months.	
WASPI Monitoring Body comm	nents/observations	
RAG Rating		



#### Section E – Code Member Commitment Declaration

I confirm that my organisation meets its obligation to deliver the control outcomes of the Governance and Information Risk Assessment and to actively resolve areas where shortfalls are identified; and that I am able and agree to commit the resources of my organisation towards maintenance and continuous improvement against these obligations.

I accept that the WASPI Code of Conduct Monitoring Body has the right to audit my organisation and to request supporting information to gain assurance in respect of my organisation's Governance and Information Risk Assessment.

Name of Organisation	
Name of Senior Information Risk Owner/Caldicott Guardian or equivalent	
Signature	
Date	
Name of Information Governance / Data Protection lead / Designated person	
Signature	
Date	
WASPI Monitoring Body overall comments/assessment	
Name of WASPI Member completing assessment	
Signature	
Date	