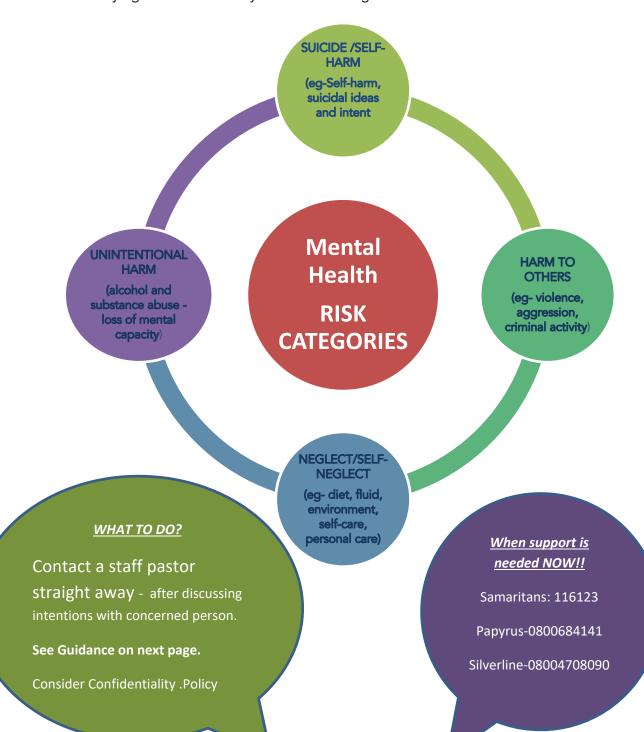
RISK AWARENESS

It is important that we are aware of potential risks with the people we are supporting. However, there is no expectation for you to become an expert risk assessor, just to be risk aware!!

Consider these simple guiding principles:

- Risk is dynamic, constantly changing.
- Risk can be minimised but not eliminated
- Identifying risk carries a duty to do something about it.



What to do if someone is at risk

If you identify any of these risks present with a person you are supporting or in contact with follow these steps:

- Notify the staff pastors immediately by calling the church office 0121 711 7300
 - Inform reception that you are part of the pastoral care team and need to highlight a risk to one of the pastors.
 - o If it is out of office hours, ring the church office, the answerphone will give you an emergency mobile number. Ring the number and on the voicemail leave a message saying you are part of the pastoral care team and need to highlight a risk to one of the pastors. You will receive a call back asap.