

# Praesidium Risk Assessment

Policies	93
Screening and Selection	77
Training	99
Monitoring and Supervision	55
Consumer Participation	98
Feedback Systems	78
Responding	68
Administrative Practices	99
<b>Praesidium Safety Score</b>	<b>83</b>

**What's Your Score?**

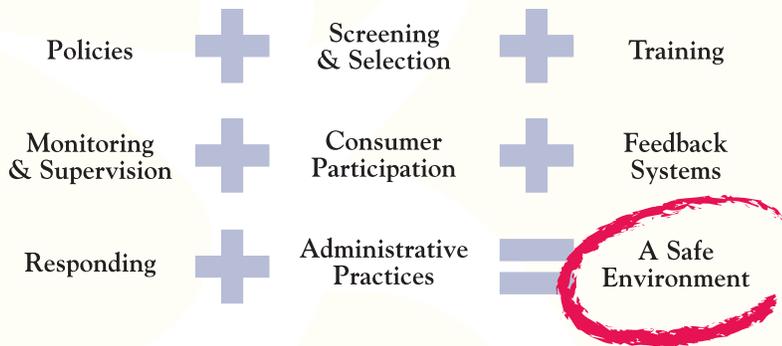
# How safe are your programs?

Do you know where your organization may be most at risk? Have you done everything possible to prevent an incident of abuse? Do you know exactly how to reduce or eliminate your exposures? Are your programs insurable? A Praesidium Risk Assessment answers these questions for you... before it's too late.

An incident of abuse can cause a lifetime of pain and suffering for a child, a vulnerable adult, and a family, and irreparable damage to an organization's reputation, financial stability, and insurability. An average claim can exceed \$500,000 and plaintiff's attorneys prevail in two-thirds of cases.

Most incidents of abuse in organizations are preventable. Praesidium's Risk Assessment shows you how to keep those you serve and your organization safe.

## Praesidium's Safety Equation™



## Praesidium's Scientific Methodology

Praesidium derives the standards included in its Risk Assessment from exhaustive reviews of the scientific literature and from root cause analyses of more than 3,000 cases of abuse in organizations. It uses a conceptual mathematical model — Praesidium's Safety Equation™ — more than 800 best practice standards, and empirically-based data collection methods to assess the risk of abuse in an organization.

# The Praesidium Risk Assessment Process

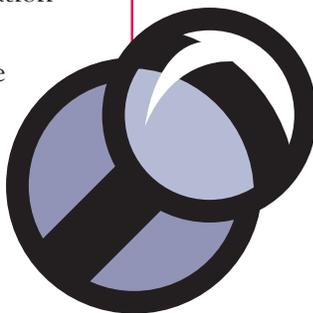


Praesidium partners with your organization to identify your unique circumstances, select the programs and locations to be included, and schedule dates for our Safety Specialists to be on-site.

**Workplan Development**

**Site Selection**

**Scheduling and Preparation**



Our proprietary review process uses a variety of data collection methods to scrutinize eight operations in your organization without interrupting your day-to-day activities.

**Policy Review**

**Records Review**

**Management Systems Review**

**Employee and Volunteer Interviews**

**Standardized Questionnaires**

**Program and Practice Observations**

**Architectural Inspections**

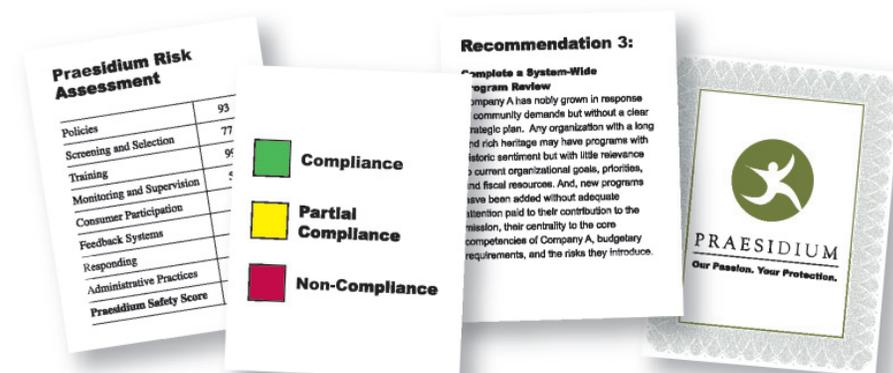
**Training and Consultation**

**Exit Interviews**



The Praesidium Report™ includes the Risk Assessment Score Card, detailed information about compliance with each standard, and specific recommendations for how to reduce or eliminate potential exposures.

**The Praesidium Report**



**Risk Assessment Score Card**

**System-Wide Compliance Results**

**Recommendations and Solutions**

**Praesidium Accreditation**

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- Compliance**
- Partial Compliance**
- Non-Compliance**

## Recommendation 3:

**Complete a System-Wide Program Review**  
 Company A has nobly grown in response to community demands but without a clear strategic plan. Any organization with a long and rich heritage may have programs with historic sentiment but with little relevance to current organizational goals, priorities, and fiscal resources. And, new programs have been added without adequate attention paid to their contribution to the mission, their centrality to the core competencies of Company A, budgetary requirements, and the risks they introduce.



## **Praesidium Accreditation**

To become Praesidium Accredited for three years, organizations must be in compliance with all standards included in The Praesidium Report.™ This rigorous process publicly demonstrates to consumers and insurance underwriters the organization's commitment to safety and that it subscribes to the highest safety standards. Accredited organizations receive at no additional cost three unannounced compliance audits while their accreditation is in effect.

This important feature serves to keep organizations vigilant in their commitment to safety. Praesidium Accredited organizations receive framed accreditation awards for public display, a custom-designed crystal Praesidium logo, recognition in a professional publication, and a press release for consumers and the media.

*“Edison is committed to creating the safest possible environments for our students. Praesidium's Risk Assessment was thorough and immensely informative and their expert staff were professional and passionate about their work. We learned specific, practical solutions to effectively reduce our risks.”*

Jonathan Rosenberg, Deputy General Counsel  
Edison Schools Inc.

*“Praesidium's Risk Assessment was remarkable in its accuracy. It has been the most important risk management tool we have used. We KNOW our response to The Praesidium Report has made a difference in keeping children safe!”*

Susan Strong, Assistant Vice President  
YMCA of Greater Seattle

*“The Praesidium Risk Assessment has enabled us to better protect the vulnerable adults and children we serve. Both the technology and the training were first rate, and the expert staff were professional and accommodating.”*

William Baccaglini, Executive Director  
The Foundling Hospital, New York City



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