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## LOCAL VIOLENT INTERVENTION PROTOCOL

### PURPOSE OF THE PROTOCOL

To describe our school community's response in the event of sudden potentially high-risk violent incident by a child or youth, which may endanger public safety.

### DEFINITIONS FOR THIS PROTOCOL

Assault – the intentional application of force by one person upon another or where another person perceives that someone has the present ability to produce force.

As defined by the Criminal Code a person commits an assault when:

- a) Without the consent of another person, they apply force intentionally to that other person, directly or indirectly.
- b) They attempt or threaten, by an act or a gesture, to apply force to another person, if they have, or causes that other person to believe upon reasonable grounds that they have, present ability to affect their purpose.
- c) While openly wearing or carrying a weapon or an imitation thereof, they accost or impedes another person.

Violent Incidents are defined but are not exclusive to death threats; threats to public facilities; homicidal expression; availability of and threats of using weapons.

### PRINCIPLES

1. This protocol will be activated after a preliminary assessment which results in the belief that a real threat to public safety exists.
2. Community agencies commit to activate and fully support this emergency protocol. The Protocol will only be operationalized in exceptional circumstances.
3. The child/youth should be kept in a controlled setting for the duration of the incident.
4. The Incident Team ensures flow of appropriate information through the R.C.M.P., School Principal, or Superintendent.
5. This Protocol will be reviewed annually with the appropriate community agencies.

### ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

#### School Principal

- Manages children/youth and staff.
- Arranges location and supervision of child and youth.
- Calls incident team together.
- Makes essential phone calls.

#### RCMP Officer

- Site safety.
- Public safety assessment.

#### Youth and Family – Child and Youth Mental Health Intake Assessment Worker

Maintain contact with:

- Family physician.
- Medical staff.
- Facilities.

#### MCF Protection Teams

- Provide resources and/or support services.
- Assess family response capacity.

#### Parent / Legal Guardian

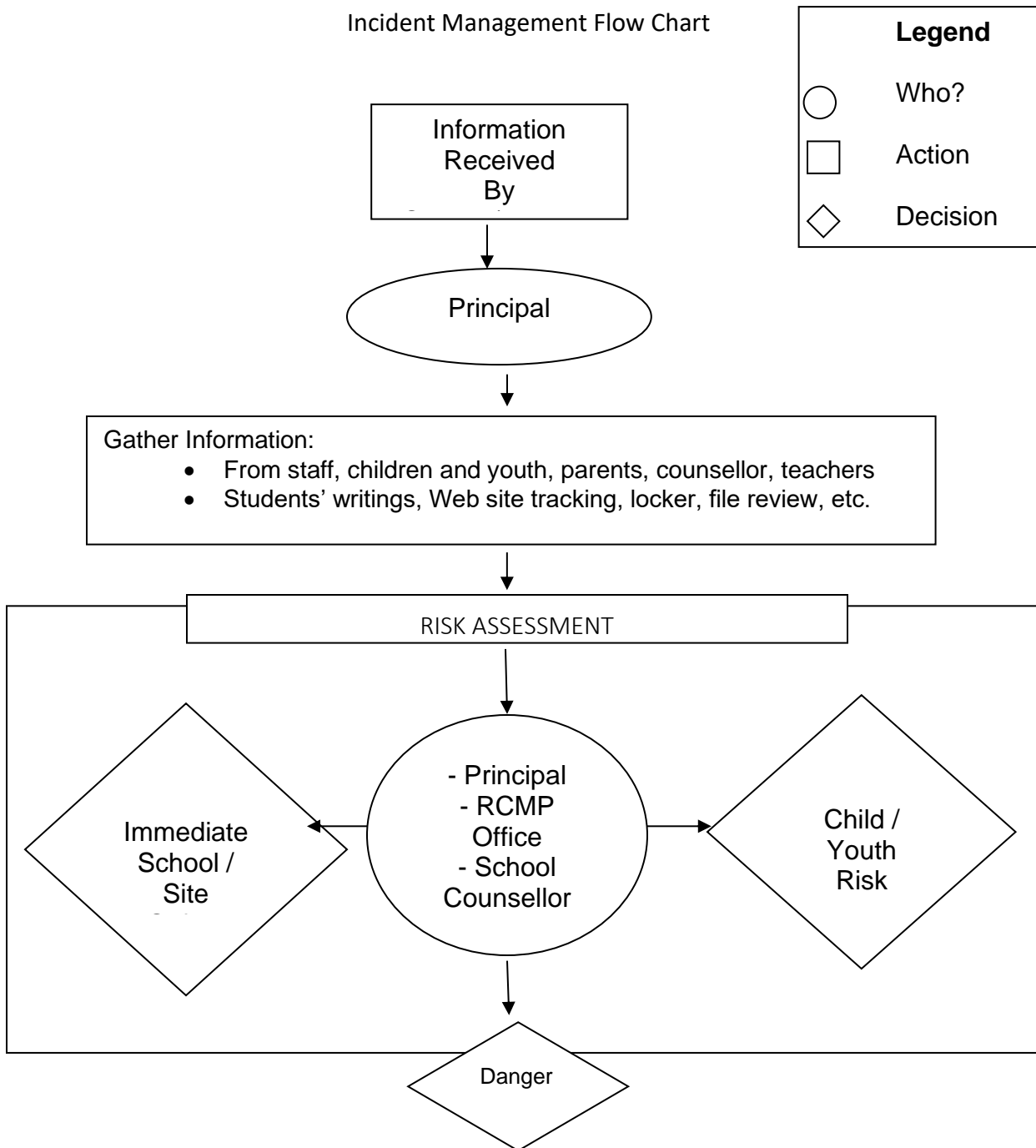
- Provide information about the child/youth/family.
- Participate in decision making process.

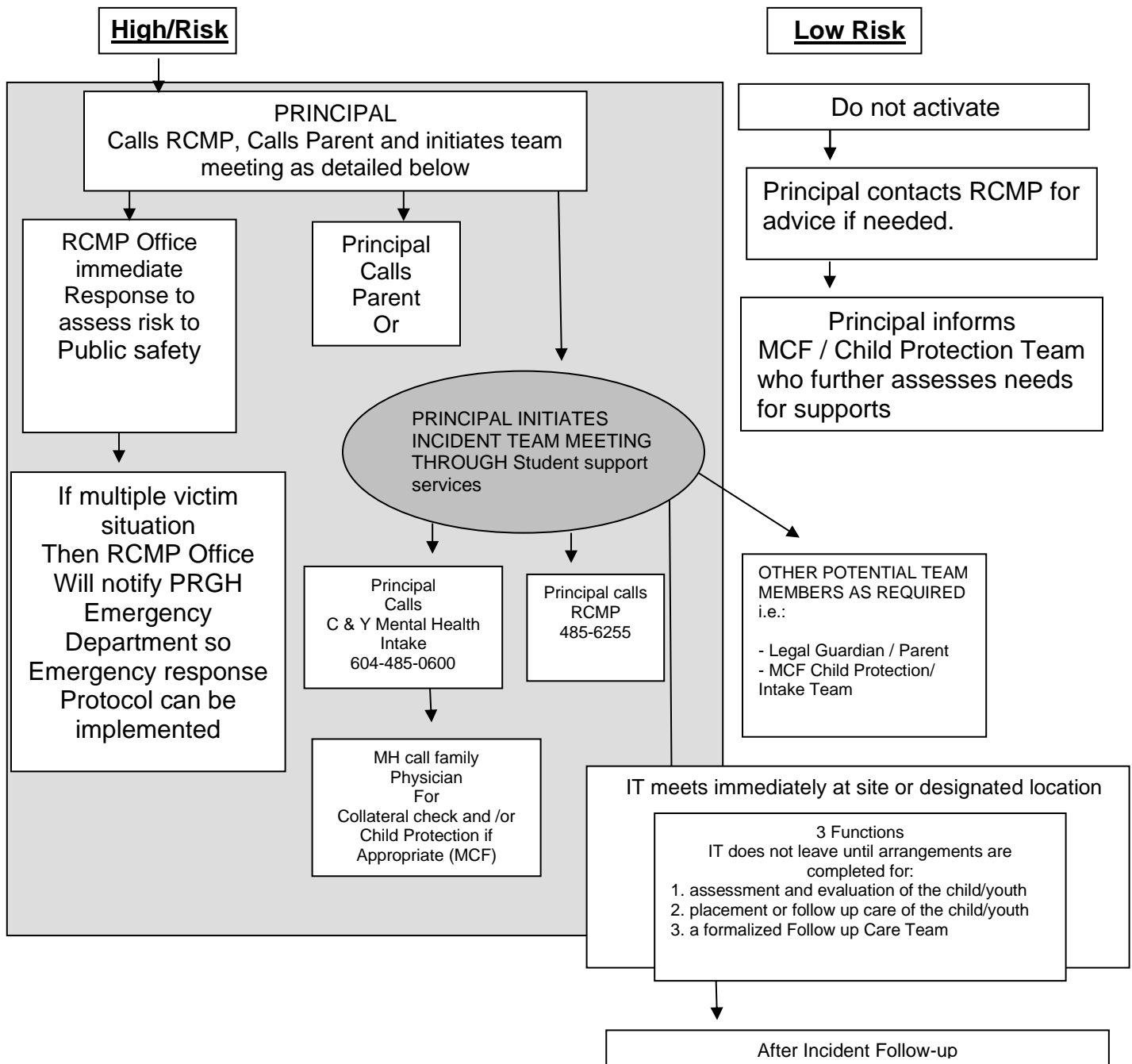
#### Family Physician

- Consult with the Incident Team as needed.
- Facilitate access to further assessment and treatment, including hospitalization.

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Incident Management Flow Chart





Reference: Sections 20, 22, 65, 85 School Act

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