## ABSENCE MANAGEMENT

## **Telephone Proforma for recording Absence**

When a member of staff calls to report they will not be attending work due to sickness, use the following checklist as a guide to ensuring a consistent, structured and supportive response is recorded for every member of staff:

Employee	Dept
Date of call	Time of call

Call taken by.....

	Process	Notes
1	Establish the reason for their absence.	
2	Establish when the sickness began.	
3	Establish the likely duration of the absence.	
4	If sickness is likely to require further	
	attention, ask if they have sought further	
	medical attention via either a GP or hospital.	
	- If further medical attention has been	
	sought, establish details of this.	
	- If further medical attention is yet to	
	be sought, ask them to call back once	
	they have done so.	
5	Establish any work related issues that need	
	to be addressed whilst they are absent. For	
	example, any project deadlines or meetings	
	they are due to attend and who can be	
	nominated to action such issues.	
6	Establish arrangements for keeping in touch	
	with them.	
	- If the absence is likely to be short	
	term, ask them to call tomorrow to	
	provide an update.	
	- Obtain an appropriate contact	
	telephone number if one has not	
	already been established.	

As the line manager of the above individual I confirm acknowledgement of the above telephone record

Line Manager Name.....

Signed.....