# Risk assessment (working with chickens)

## Company name: Footprints Animal Sanctuary Assessment carried out by: Cara Stephenson

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| What are the hazards? | Who might be harmed and how? | What are you already doing to control the risks? | What further action do you need to take to control the risks? | Probability of risk (low, medium, high) | Severity of risk (low, medium, high) | Overall risk  |
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| **Pecking/scratching** | Volunteers and visitors. Chickens may scratch and peck causing cuts to the skin that may become infected. | All volunteers to receive training on how to handle chickens and how to observe and respond to their behaviour. Correct handling techniques to be used. Only trustees and trained professionals to administer medication. | Continue with current controls | Medium | Low | Low |
| **Zoonotic diseases** | Volunteers, visitors. May contract Avian flu, E Coli, Salmonella. | Handwashing facilities, all volunteers and visitors encouraged to wash their hands regularly. Cleaning schedules in place. Disposable gloves available if individuals choose to wear them. All ill animals to be reported to trustees immediately. | Increase availability of equipment for each individual enclosure to further minimise cross-contamination. | Medium | High | Medium  |