

## Annex 4~: Guidelines for Evaluating Homes for Quarantine or Isolation

It is important to ensure that the home environment meets the ongoing physical, mental, and medical needs of the individual to be placed in isolation or quarantine. An evaluation of the home for its suitability should be performed before the person is placed in isolation or quarantine. This evaluation may be performed through the administration of a questionnaire to the individual and/or the caregiver or on site by a public health nurse or inspector. Points to be considered in the evaluation include the following.

Item	Yes or No
<b>Infrastructure</b>	
Located in an area with 24-hour access to emergency medical services	
Telephone	
Electricity	
Heat	
Potable water	
Bathroom with toilet and sink	
Waste and sewage disposal	
Air conditioning (if needed)	
<b>Accommodations</b>	
Separate bedroom for patient	
<b>Resources and support</b>	
Primary caregiver who is not at high risk for complications from influenza	
Meals	
Laundry	
Essential shopping	
Other essential needs (e.g., prescriptions)	
Thermometer, hand hygiene supplies	
Radio, reading material, etc	