



Healthcare FMEA – Severity & Probability

Severity Guidelines

<u>Catastrophic Event</u>	<u>Major Event</u>	<u>Moderate Event</u>	<u>Minor Event</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Patient death or permanent loss of function -Procedure on wrong patient / body part -Infant abduction / discharge to wrong family -Death of visitor / staff -Hospitalization for ≥ 3 visitors / staff -Equipment Damage ≥ \$250,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Patient has permanent lessening of bodily function / disfigurement -Surgical intervention required -Increased length of stay / care for ≥ 3 patients -Hospitalization for 1-2 visitors / staff -Restricted duty / lost time for ≥ 3 staff -Equipment Damage ≥ \$100,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Patient has increased length of stay -Increased level of care for 1-2 patients -Evaluation + treatment for 1-2 visitors / staff -Restricted duty / lost time for 1-2 staff -Equipment Damage > \$10,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -No patient injury / level of care needed -Evaluation and no treatment required / refused treatment for visitor -First aid treatment for staff -Equipment Damage < \$10,000

Probability Guidelines

<u>Frequent</u>	<u>Occasional</u>	<u>Uncommon</u>	<u>Remote</u>
<p>-Likely to occur immediately or within a short period (may happen several times in one year)</p>	<p>-Probably will occur (may happen several times in 1 to 2 years)</p>	<p>-Possible to occur (may happen sometime in 2 to 5 years)</p>	<p>-Unlikely to occur (may happen sometime in 5 to 30 years)</p>