

THE ANTI-ABSCONDING INTERVENTION

1. Rule clarity: use of a signing in and out book
2. Identification of those at high risk of absconding
3. Targeted nursing time for those at high risk
 - Dealing with home worries
 - Promotion of controlled access to home
 - Promoting contact with family and friends
4. Careful breaking of bad news
5. Post-incident debriefing
6. Multi-disciplinary-team (MDT) review following two absconds