Appendix 3: Other Risks to be considered in the Travel Risk Assessment

- Travel restrictions for non UK passport holders, are there any additional travel restrictions or issues to be considered
- Climatic Extremes - Dry/ Desert (high humidity, hypothermia), monsoon/storms, oxygen deficiency/rarified air, sunburn/skin cancer, tidal and other water conditions, unusual winds (eg tornado, hurricane)
- Contact with animals (wild or domestic) - Allergies, asthma (bites and other physical contact, dermatitis, rabies, stings)
- Contact with insects – Bites, stings (Lyme’s disease, TBE, malaria, yellow fever, other)
- Contact with reptiles (poisoning, snakes, scorpions etc, remoteness, shock) – Availability of antidotes/medical back up.
- Contaminated food – allergies (food poisoning, Hepatitis A)
- Contaminated water for washing/bathing– diarrhoea, legionella, leptospirosis
- Contaminated drinking water – cholera, polio, typhoid, other
- Electricity – compatibility of equipment and supply, different safety standards
- Environment (local) – culture (customs, dress, religion)
- Crowds and crowd control, crowded transport systems
- Taboos, unacceptable behaviours
- Spotting risky situations, tourist attractions
- Legal differences – local codes/guidance
- Variable attention to health and safety issues in different countries
- Natural phenomenon – avalanche, earthquake, volcano, other, including rapid water level rises in some situations
- Needles (contaminated)/sexual contact – HIV, Hepatitis B
- Places where discarded used needles may be found – awareness of accidental contact
- Transportation - competent drivers, hazardous terrain, properly maintained vehicles, suitable transport
- Stress – accommodation problems, civil unrest, crime, vandalism and violence, extremes of heat/cold, fatigue, language/communication problems, lack of support (family/peers), workloads/expectations excessive, loneliness/remoteness, sickness, unfriendly environment
- Kidnap, terrorist activity and civil unrest.