

# Screening instruments for Pediatric Mental Health

## Depression

- Patient Health Questionnaire 9/A
- Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale
- Short Mood and Feeling Questionnaire

# PHQ-A

### PHQ-9: Modified for Teens

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Clinician: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** How often have you been bothered by each of the following symptoms during the past two weeks? For each symptom put an "X" in the box beneath the answer that best describes how you have been feeling.

	Not At All	Several Days	More Than Half the Days	Nearly Every Day
1. Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Little interest or pleasure in doing things?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Trouble falling asleep, staying asleep, or sleeping too much?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Not appetite, weight loss, or increasing?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Fatigue, lack of energy, or feeling slowed down?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Feeling bad about yourself—or feeling that you are a failure, or that you have let yourself or your family down?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Trouble concentrating on things like school work, reading, or watching TV?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Moving or speaking so slowly that other people could have noticed? Or the opposite—being so fidgety or restless that you were moving around a lot more than usual?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Thoughts that you would be better off dead, or of hurting yourself in some way?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**PHQ-9:** How often have you felt depressed or sad most days, even if you feel okay sometimes?  
 Yes  No

If you are experiencing any of the problems on this form, how difficult have these problems made it for you to do your work, take care of things at home, or get along with other people?  
 Not difficult at all  Somewhat difficult  Moderately difficult  Extremely difficult

Has there been a time in the past year when you have had serious thoughts about ending your life?  
 Yes  No

Have you ever in your whole life tried to kill yourself or made a suicide attempt?  
 Yes  No

If you have had thoughts that you would be better off dead or of hurting yourself in some way, please discuss this with your Health Care Clinician, go to a hospital emergency room or call 911.

**Please use only the severity scores:**

Revised and revalidated by the NIMH Diagnostic Interview Schedule for Children (DISC) and the Columbia Depression in Primary Care (COPIC) and the Columbia Depression in Primary Care (COPIC) Development Group, 2004.

### Scoring the PHQ-9 modified for Teens

Scoring the PHQ-9 modified for teens is easy but involves thinking about several different aspects of depression.

To use the PHQ-9 as a diagnostic aid for Major Depressive Disorder:

- Questions 1 and/or 2 need to be endorsed as a "2" or "3"
- Need five or more positive symptoms (positive is defined by a "2" or "3" in questions 1-8 and by a "1", "2", or "3" in question 9)
- The Functional Impairment question (how difficult...) needs to be rated at least as "somewhat difficult."

To use the PHQ-9 to screen for all types of depression or other mental illness:

- All positive answers (positive is defined by a "2" or "3" in questions 1-8 and by a "1", "2", or "3" in question 9) should be followed up by interview.
- A total PHQ-9 score  $\geq 10$  (see below for instructions on how to obtain a total score) has a good sensitivity and specificity for MDD.

To use the PHQ-9 to aid in the diagnosis of dysthymia:

- The dysthymia question (In the past year...) should be endorsed as "yes."

To use the PHQ-9 to screen for suicide risk:

- All positive answers to question 9 as well as the two additional suicide items **MUST** be followed up by a clinical interview.

To use the PHQ-9 to obtain a total score and assess depression severity:

- Add up the numbers endorsed for questions 1-9 and obtain a total score.
- See Table below.

Total Score	Depression Severity
0-4	No or Minimal depression
5-9	Mild depression
10-14	Moderate depression
15-19	Moderately severe depression
20-27	Severe depression

Use with Permission. Guidelines for Adolescent Depression in Primary Care, Version 2. (2012)

# Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale

		Past Month
1) Have you wished you were dead or wished you could go to sleep and not wake up?		
2) Have you actually had any thoughts about killing yourself?		
If YES to 2, answer questions 3, 4, 5 and 6 If NO to 2, go directly to question 6		
3) Have you thought about how you might do this?		
4) Have you had any intention of acting on these thoughts of killing yourself, as opposed to you have the thoughts but you definitely would not act on them?		High Risk
5) Have you started to work out or worked out the details of how to kill yourself? Do you intend to carry out this plan?		High Risk
<b>Always Ask Question 6</b>		
6) Have you done anything, started to do anything, or prepared to do anything to end your life? <i>Examples: Collected pills, obtained a gun, gave away valuables, wrote a will or suicide note, held a gun but changed your mind, cut yourself, tried to hang yourself, etc.</i>		High Risk

**NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE**  
1-800-273-TALK (8255)  
www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Any YES indicates that someone should seek a behavioral health referral. However, if the answer to 4, 5 or 6 is YES, seek immediate help; go to the emergency room, call 1-800-273-8255, text 741741 or call 911 and **STAY WITH THEM** until they can be evaluated.

Columbia Protocol app available



# Vanderbilt ADHD Assessment Scale

**NICHQ Vanderbilt Assessment Scale—PARENT Informant**

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** Each rating should be considered in the context of what is appropriate for the age of your child.  
 When completing this form, please think about your child's behavior in the past 6 months.  
 Is this evaluation based on a time when the child  was on medication  was not on medication  not sure?

Symptoms	Never	Occasionally	Often	Very Often
1. Does not pay attention to details or make careless mistakes with, for example, homework	0	1	2	3
2. Has difficulty keeping attention to what needs to be done	0	1	2	3
3. Does not seem to listen when spoken to directly	0	1	2	3
4. Does not follow through when given directions and fails to finish activities (not due to refusal or failure to understand)	0	1	2	3
5. Has difficulty organizing tasks and activities	0	1	2	3
6. Avoids, dislikes, or does not want to start tasks that require ongoing mental effort	0	1	2	3
7. Leaves things necessary for tasks or activities (books, assignments, pencils, or books)	0	1	2	3
8. Is easily distracted by noises or other stimuli	0	1	2	3
9. Is forgetful in daily activities	0	1	2	3
10. Fidgets with hands or feet or squirms in seat	0	1	2	3
11. Leaves seat when remaining seated is expected	0	1	2	3
12. Runs about or climbs too much when remaining seated is expected	0	1	2	3
13. Has difficulty playing or beginning/ending play activities	0	1	2	3
14. Is "on the go" or often acts as if "driven by a motor"	0	1	2	3
15. Talks too much	0	1	2	3
16. Blurts out answers before questions have been completed	0	1	2	3
17. Has difficulty waiting his or her turn	0	1	2	3
18. Interrupts or intrudes in others' conversations and/or activities	0	1	2	3
19. Argues with adults	0	1	2	3
20. Leaves trumper	0	1	2	3
21. Acts out defiant or refuses to go along with adult requests or rules	0	1	2	3
22. Deliberately annoys people	0	1	2	3
23. Blames others for his or her mistakes or misbehaviors	0	1	2	3
24. Is touchy or easily offended by others	0	1	2	3
25. Is angry or resentful	0	1	2	3
26. Is spiteful and wants to get even	0	1	2	3
27. Bullies, intimidates, or intimidates others	0	1	2	3
28. Starts physical fights	0	1	2	3
29. Lies to get out of trouble or to avoid obligations (ie, "white lies")	0	1	2	3
30. Is mean to others (about taking valued) without permission	0	1	2	3
31. Is physically cruel to people	0	1	2	3
32. Has stolen things that have value	0	1	2	3

The information on this publication should be used as a guideline for the individual use of each parent and should not be used for diagnostic purposes. This publication is not intended for use in a clinical setting.

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Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Symptoms (continued)**

Symptoms	Never	Occasionally	Often	Very Often
33. Deliberately destroys others' property	0	1	2	3
34. Has used a weapon that can cause serious harm (like knife, brick, gun)	0	1	2	3
35. Is physically cruel to animals	0	1	2	3
36. Has threatened or tried to cause damage	0	1	2	3
37. Has broken into someone else's home, business, or car	0	1	2	3
38. Has stayed out at night without permission	0	1	2	3
39. Has run away from home overnight	0	1	2	3
40. Has forced someone into sexual activity	0	1	2	3
41. Is fearful, anxious, or worried	0	1	2	3
42. Is afraid to try new things for fear of making mistakes	0	1	2	3
43. Feels worthless or inferior	0	1	2	3
44. Blames self for problems, both partly	0	1	2	3
45. Feels lonely, unloved, or unloved; complains that "no one loves him or her"	0	1	2	3
46. Is self-harmful or depressed	0	1	2	3
47. Is self-conscious or easily embarrassed	0	1	2	3

Performance	Somewhat of a Problem				
	Excellent	Above Average	Average	Problematic	
48. Overall school performance	1	2	3	4	5
49. Reading	1	2	3	4	5
50. Writing	1	2	3	4	5
51. Mathematics	1	2	3	4	5
52. Relationship with parents	1	2	3	4	5
53. Relationship with siblings	1	2	3	4	5
54. Relationship with peers	1	2	3	4	5
55. Participation in organized activities (eg, team)	1	2	3	4	5

**Comments:**

**For Office Use Only**  
 Total number of questions scored 1 or 3 in questions 1-18: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total number of questions scored 2 or 3 in questions 19-32: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total Symptom Score for questions 1-18: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total number of questions scored 2 or 3 in questions 19-32: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total number of questions scored 2 or 3 in questions 33-47: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total number of questions scored 4 or 5 in questions 48-55: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Average Performance Score: \_\_\_\_\_

**Scoring Instructions for the NICHQ Vanderbilt Assessment Scales**

These scales should NOT be used alone to make any diagnosis. You must take into consideration information from multiple sources. Scores of 4 or 5 on a single Symptom question reflect often-occurring behavior. Scores of 4 or 5 on Performance questions reflect problems in performance.

The total symptom scores, parent and teacher, plus 2 comparison criterion assessment and treatment in performance. Scores for comparison that meet criteria for both inattention (items 1-9) and hyperactivity (items 10-18).

In most ADHD cases for the diagnosis, one must have at least 6 positive responses to either the inattention or hyperactivity 3-item comparison, or both. A positive response is a 4 or 5 value, very often (you could do so on a straight through the page and count the positive number for each subsymptom). There is a plan to record the number of positive in each subsymptom, and a plan for the total score for the first 18 symptoms (just add them up). The total score also has comparison scores for other comparison—organizational, academic, and anxiety symptoms. Total are assessed by the number of positive responses to each of the symptoms operated by the "signs." The sign-18 item and number of positive responses for each comparison score are available below.

The recent review of ADHD there must be at least one item of the Performance or in which the child scores a 4 or 5. There may be impairment, not just responses to most diagnostic criteria. The chart has a place to record the number of questions (4, 5), and an Average Performance Score—and show up and decide number of Performance criteria assessed.

Parent Assessment Scale	Teacher Assessment Scale
<b>Parent Assessment Scale</b> Preschool/Kindergarten subscale • Most scores 2 or 3 on 4 of 8 inattention questions 1-8 AND • Score 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 19-47 Preschool/Kindergarten Hyperactive/Impulsive subscale • Most scores 2 or 3 on 3 out of 3 items on questions 10-18 AND • Score 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 48-55 ADHD Combined Inattention/Hyperactivity • Requires the above criteria on both inattention and hyperactivity/impulsivity Oppositional Defiant/Conduct Disorder Scales • Most scores 2 or 3 on 3 out of 3 items on questions 19-32 AND • Score 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 56-63 Anxiety/Depressive Scales • Most scores 2 or 3 on 3 out of 3 items on questions 29-33 AND • Score 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 34-47 ASD • Score 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 48-55	<b>Teacher Assessment Scale</b> Preschool/Kindergarten subscale • Most scores 2 or 3 on 4 of 8 inattention questions 1-8 AND • Score 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 19-47 Preschool/Kindergarten Hyperactive/Impulsive subscale • Most scores 2 or 3 on 3 out of 3 items on questions 10-18 AND • Score 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 48-55 ADHD Combined Inattention/Hyperactivity • Requires the above criteria on both inattention and hyperactivity/impulsivity Oppositional Defiant/Conduct Disorder Scales • Most scores 2 or 3 on 3 out of 3 items on questions 19-32 AND • Score 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 56-63 Anxiety/Depressive Scales • Most scores 2 or 3 on 3 out of 3 items on questions 29-33 AND • Score 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 34-47 ASD • Score 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 48-55

The parent and teacher follow up scales use the first 18 non-ADHD symptoms, and the combined symptoms. The section assesses the same Performance items and hyperactivity/impulsivity on the initial scale, and then a self-effect reporting scale that can be used to track behavior and monitor the presence of behavior restriction to medication prescribed, if any.

Scoring the follow-up scales involves only calculating a total symptom score for items 1-18 that can be tracked over time and, if necessary, compared to the total score for the first 18 symptoms.

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## Anxiety

- Generalized Anxiety Disorder (GAD-&7)
- 13+
- Screen for Child Anxiety Related Disorders
- 8-18

# SCARED

## Screen for Child Anxiety Related Disorders (SCARED) PARENT Version—Page 1 of 2 (to be filled out by the PARENT)

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Directions

Below is a list of sentences that describe how people feel. Read each phrase and decide if it is "Not True or Hardly Ever True" or "Somewhat True or Sometimes True" or "Very True or Often True" for your child. Then, for each statement, fill in one circle that corresponds to the response that best describes your child for the last 7 weeks. Please respond to all statements as well as you can, even if some do not seem to concern your child.

	0 Not True or Hardly Ever True	1 Somewhat True or Sometimes True	2 Very True or Often True	
1. When my child gets frightened, it is hard for him/her to breathe.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PN
2. My child gets headaches when he/she is at school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SH
3. My child doesn't like to be with people he/she doesn't know well.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SC
4. My child gets scared if he/she sleeps away from home.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SP
5. My child worries about other people liking him/her.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	GD
6. When my child gets frightened, he/she feels like passing out.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PN
7. My child is nervous.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	GD
8. My child follows me wherever I go.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SP
9. People tell me that my child looks nervous.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PN
10. My child feels nervous with people he/she doesn't know well.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SC
11. My child gets stomachaches at school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SH
12. When my child gets frightened, he/she feels like he/she is going crazy.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PN
13. My child worries about sleeping alone.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SP
14. My child worries about being as good as other kids.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	GD
15. When my child gets frightened, he/she feels like things are not real.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PN
16. My child has nightmares about something bad happening or he/she parents.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SP
17. My child worries about going to school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SH
18. When my child gets frightened, he/she hasn't been free.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PN
19. He/she child gets shy.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PN
20. My child has nightmares about something bad happening to him/her.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SP

# GAD-7

## Screen for Child Anxiety Related Disorders (SCARED) PARENT Version—Page 2 of 2 (to be filled out by the PARENT)

	0 Not True or Hardly Ever True	1 Somewhat True or Sometimes True	2 Very True or Often True	
21. My child worries about things working out for him/her.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	GD
22. When my child gets frightened, he/she sweats a lot.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PN
23. My child is a worrier.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	GD
24. My child gets really frightened for no reason at all.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PN
25. My child is afraid to be alone in the house.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SP
26. It is hard for my child to talk with people he/she doesn't know well.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SC
27. When my child gets frightened, he/she feels like he/she is choking.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PN
28. People tell me that my child worries too much.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	GD
29. My child doesn't like to be away from his/her family.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SP
30. My child is afraid of having anxiety (or panic) attacks.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PN
31. My child worries that something bad might happen to his/her parents.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SP
32. My child feels shy with people he/she doesn't know well.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SC
33. My child worries about what is going to happen in the future.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	GD
34. When my child gets frightened, he/she feels like throwing up.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PN
35. My child worries about how well he/she does things.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	GD
36. My child is scared to go to school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SH
37. My child worries about things that have already happened.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	GD
38. When my child gets frightened, he/she feels dizzy.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PN
39. My child feels nervous when he/she is with other children or adults and he/she has to do something while they watch him/her (for example: read aloud, speak, play a game, play a sport).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SC
40. My child feels nervous when he/she is going to parties, dances, or any place where there will be people that he/she doesn't know well.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SC
41. My child is shy.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SC

### SCORING:

A total score of **> 28** may indicate the presence of an **Anxiety Disorder**. Scores higher than 30 are more specific. **TOTAL =** \_\_\_\_\_  
 A score of 7 for items 1, 4, 9, 12, 15, 18, 19, 22, 24, 27, 30, 34, 38 may indicate **Panic Disorder** or **Significant Somatic Symptoms**. **PN =** \_\_\_\_\_  
 A score of 9 for items 5, 7, 14, 21, 23, 28, 33, 35, 37 may indicate **Generalized Anxiety Disorder**. **GD =** \_\_\_\_\_  
 A score of 8 for items 4, 8, 13, 16, 20, 25, 29, 31 may indicate **Separation Anxiety SOC**. **SP =** \_\_\_\_\_  
 A score of 8 for items 3, 10, 26, 32, 39, 40, 41 may indicate **Social Anxiety Disorder**. **SC =** \_\_\_\_\_  
 A score of 3 for items 2, 11, 17, 36 may indicate **Significant School Avoidance**. **SH =** \_\_\_\_\_

The SCARED is available at no cost at [www.pitt.edu/research/under/teach/and/assessments/](http://www.pitt.edu/research/under/teach/and/assessments/), or at [www.publishers.bipolar-pitt.edu/instuments/](http://www.publishers.bipolar-pitt.edu/instuments/).

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## GAD-7 Anxiety

Over the last two weeks, how often have you been bothered by the following problems?	Not at all	Several days	More than half the days	Nearly every day
1. Feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge	0	1	2	3
2. Not being able to stop or control worrying	0	1	2	3
3. Worrying too much about different things	0	1	2	3
4. Trouble relaxing	0	1	2	3
5. Being so restless that it is hard to sit still	0	1	2	3
6. Becoming easily annoyed or irritable	0	1	2	3
7. Feeling afraid, as if something awful might happen	0	1	2	3

Column totals \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ =

Total score \_\_\_\_\_

If you checked any problems, how difficult have they made it for you to do your work, take care of things at home, or get along with other people?

Not difficult at all      Somewhat difficult      Very difficult      Extremely difficult

                                                                                                                

Source: Primary Care Evaluation of Mental Disorders Patient Health Questionnaire (PRIME-MD-PHC). The PHQ was developed by Drs. Robert L. Spitzer, Janet B.W. Williams, Kurt Kroenke, and colleagues. For research information, contact Dr. Spitzer at [gad@duke.edu](mailto:gad@duke.edu). PHQ-15 is a trademark of Pfizer Inc. Copyright 1999 Pfizer Inc. All rights reserved. Reproduced with permission.

## Scoring GAD-7 Anxiety Severity

This is calculated by assigning scores of 0, 1, 2, and 3 to the response categories, respectively, of "not at all," "several days," "more than half the days," and "nearly every day."  
 GAD-7 total score for the seven items ranges from 0 to 21.

- 0-4: minimal anxiety
- 5-9: mild anxiety
- 10-14: moderate anxiety
- 15-21: severe anxiety

# Autism

## • M-CHAT

# MCHAT

**MCHAT** [www.m-chat.org](http://www.m-chat.org)

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Age \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Child \_\_\_\_\_

**MCHAT™** (Revised) Checklist for Autism in Toddlers (Revised)

Please answer these questions about your child based on how you or your family member typically behaves. If you observe your child do the behavior, A or B or C or D or E or F or G or H or I or J or K or L or M or N or O or P or Q or R or S or T or U or V or W or X or Y or Z or AA or AB or AC or AD or AE or AF or AG or AH or AI or AJ or AK or AL or AM or AN or AO or AP or AQ or AR or AS or AT or AU or AV or AW or AX or AY or AZ or BA or BB or BC or BD or BE or BF or BG or BH or BI or BJ or BK or BL or BM or BN or BO or BP or BQ or BR or BS or BT or BU or BV or BW or BX or BY or BZ or CA or CB or CC or CD or CE or CF or CG or CH or CI or CJ or CK or CL or CM or CN or CO or CP or CQ or CR or CS or CT or CU or CV or CW or CX or CY or CZ or DA or DB or DC or DD or DE or DF or DG or DH or DI or DJ or DK or DL or DM or DN or DO or DP or DQ or DR or DS or DT or DU or DV or DW or DX or DY or DZ or EA or EB or EC or ED or EE or EF or EG or EH or EI or EJ or EK or EL or EM or EN or EO or EP or EQ or ER or ES or ET or EU or EV or EW or EX or EY or EZ or FA or FB or FC or FD or FE or FF or FG or FH or FI or FJ or FK or FL or FM or FN or FO or FP or FQ or FR or FS or FT or FU or FV or FW or FX or FY or FZ or GA or GB or GC or GD or GE or GF or GG or GH or GI or GJ or GK or GL or GM or GN or GO or GP or GQ or GR or GS or GT or GU or GV or GW or GX or GY or GZ or HA or HB or HC or HD or HE or HF or HG or HH or HI or HJ or HK or HL or HM or HN or HO or HP or HQ or HR or HS or HT or HU or HV or HW or HX or HY or HZ or IA or IB or IC or ID or IE or IF or IG or IH or II or IJ or IK or IL or IM or IN or IO or IP or IQ or IR or IS or IT or IU or IV or IW or IX or IY or IZ or JA or JB or JC or JD or JE or JF or JG or JH or JI or JJ or JK or JL or JM or JN or JO or JP or JQ or JR or JS or JT or JU or JV or JW or JX or JY or JZ or KA or KB or KC or KD or KE or KF or KG or KH or KI or KJ or KK or KL or KM or KN or KO or KP or KQ or KR or KS or KT or KU or KV or KW or KX or KY or KZ or LA or LB or LC or LD or LE or LF or LG or LH or LI or LJ or LK or LL or LM or LN or LO or LP or LQ or LR or LS or LT or LU or LV or LW or LX or LY or LZ or MA or MB or MC or MD or ME or MF or MG or MH or MI or MJ or MK or ML or MM or MN or MO or MP or MQ or MR or MS or MT or MU or MV or MW or MX or MY or MZ or NA or NB or NC or ND or NE or NF or NG or NH or NI or NJ or NK or NL or NM or NN or NO or NP or NQ or NR or NS or NT or NU or NV or NW or NX or NY or NZ or OA or OB or OC or OD or OE or OF or OG or OH or OI or OJ or OK or OL or OM or ON or OO or OP or OQ or OR or OS or OT or OU or OV or OW or OX or OY or OZ or PA or PB or PC or PD or PE or PF or PG or PH or PI or PJ or PK or PL or PM or PN or PO or PP or PQ or PR or PS or PT or PU or PV or PW or PX or PY or PZ or QA or QB or QC or QD or QE or QF or QG or QH or QI or QJ or QK or QL or QM or QN or QO or QP or QQ or QR or QS or QT or QU or QV or QW or QX or QY or QZ or RA or RB or RC or RD or RE or RF or RG or RH or RI or RJ or RK or RL or RM or RN or RO or RP or RQ or RR or RS or RT or RU or RV or RW or RX or RY or RZ or SA or SB or SC or SD or SE or SF or SG or SH or SI or SJ or SK or SL or SM or SN or SO or SP or SQ or SR or SS or ST or SU or SV or SW or SX or SY or SZ or TA or TB or TC or TD or TE or TF or TG or TH or TI or TJ or TK or TL or TM or TN or TO or TP or TQ or TR or TS or TT or TU or TV or TW or TX or TY or TZ or UA or UB or UC or UD or UE or UF or UG or UH or UI or UJ or UK or UL or UM or UN or UO or UP or UQ or UR or US or UT or UY or UZ or VA or VB or VC or VD or VE or VF or VG or VH or VI or VJ or VK or VL or VM or VN or VO or VP or VQ or VR or VS or VT or VU or VV or VW or VX or VY or VZ or WA or WB or WC or WD or WE or WF or WG or WH or WI or WJ or WK or WL or WM or WN or WO or WP or WQ or WR or WS or WT or WU or WV or WW or WX or WY or WZ or XA or XB or XC or XD or XE or XF or XG or XH or XI or XJ or XK or XL or XM or XN or XO or XP or XQ or XR or XS or XT or XU or XV or XW or XX or XY or XZ or YA or YB or YC or YD or YE or YF or YG or YH or YI or YJ or YK or YL or YM or YN or YO or YP or YQ or YR or YS or YT or YU or YV or YW or YX or YY or YZ or ZA or ZB or ZC or ZD or ZE or ZF or ZG or ZH or ZI or ZJ or ZK or ZL or ZM or ZN or ZO or ZP or ZQ or ZR or ZS or ZT or ZU or ZV or ZW or ZX or ZY or ZZ

1. If you point at something across the room, does your child look at it? Yes No  
 2. Have you ever wondered if your child might be deaf? Yes No  
 3. Does your child play pretend or make-believe? (For Example, pretend to drink from an empty cup, pretend to talk on a phone, or pretend to feed a doll or stuffed animal?) Yes No  
 4. Does your child like drinking or things? (For Example, kumquat, playground equipment, or candy) Yes No  
 5. Does your child make (staccato) finger movements near his or her eyes? Yes No  
 6. Does your child point with one finger to ask for something or to get help? (For Example, pointing to a snack or the foot of the bed) Yes No  
 7. Does your child point with one finger to show you something interesting? (For Example, pointing to an airplane in the sky or a toy truck in the road) Yes No  
 8. Is your child interested in other children? (For Example, does your child watch other children, smile at them, or go to them?) Yes No  
 9. Does your child show you things by bringing them to you or holding them up for you to see – not to get help, but just to show? (For Example, showing you a flower, a stuffed animal, or a toy truck) Yes No  
 10. Does your child respond when you call his or her name? (For Example, when he or she looks up, talks or talks or babbles, or stops what he or she is doing when you call his or her name?) Yes No  
 11. When you smile at your child, does he or she smile back at you? Yes No  
 12. Does your child play games by purposely misbehaving? (For Example, does your child scratch or sting or tease such as a wiggly chair or foot motion?) Yes No  
 13. Does your child walk? Yes No  
 14. Does your child look you in the eye when you are talking to him or her, playing with him or her, or pointing him or her? Yes No  
 15. Does your child try to copy what you do? (For Example, wave bye-bye, clap, or walk or turn like when you do) Yes No  
 16. If you turn your head to look at something, does your child look around to see what you are doing? Yes No  
 17. Does your child try to get you to watch him or her? (For Example, does your child look at you for games or say "look" or "watch me?") Yes No  
 18. Does your child understand when you tell him or her to do something? (For Example, if you don't give, can your child understand "put the book on the chair," or "bring me the blanket?") Yes No  
 19. If something new happens, does your child look at your face to see how you feel about it? (For Example, if he or she hears a string of funny noises, or sees a new toy, will he or she look at your face?) Yes No  
 20. Does your child know movement activities? (For Example, being sitting or bouncing on your knees) Yes No

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### Scoring Algorithm

For all items except 2, 5, and 12, the response "NO" indicates ASD risk; for items 2, 5, and 12, "YES" indicates ASD risk. The following algorithm maximizes psychometric properties of the M-CHAT-R:

- LOW-RISK:** Total Score is 0-2. If child is younger than 24 months, screen again after second birthday. No further action required unless surveillance indicates risk for ASD.
- MEDIUM-RISK:** Total Score is 3-7. Administer the Follow-Up (second stage of M-CHAT-R/F) to get additional information about at-risk responses. If M-CHAT-R/F score remains at 2 or higher, the child has screened positive. Action required: refer child for diagnostic evaluation and eligibility evaluation for early intervention. If score on Follow-Up is 0-1, child has screened negative. No further action required unless surveillance indicates risk for ASD. Child should be rescreened at future well-child visits.
- HIGH-RISK:** Total Score is 8-20. It is acceptable to bypass the Follow-Up and refer immediately for diagnostic evaluation and eligibility evaluation for early intervention.

# Trauma

- ACE-Q
- Traumatic Stress Screen for Children and Adolescent (5 to 18)

## ACE-Q

**CYW Adverse Childhood Experiences Questionnaire Teen (ACE-Q) Teen**  
To be completed by Parent/Caregiver

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Child: \_\_\_\_\_

**Many children experience stressful life events that can affect their health and wellbeing. The results from this questionnaire will assist your child's doctor in assessing their health and determining guidance. Please read the statements below. Count the number of statements that apply to your child and write the total number in the box provided.**  
**Please DO NOT mark or indicate which specific statements apply to your child.**

**1) Of the statements in Section 1, HOW MANY apply to your child? Write the total number in the box.**

**Section 1. At any point since your child was born...**

- Your child's parents or guardians were separated or divorced
- Your child lived with a household member who served time in jail or prison
- Your child lived with a household member who was depressed, mentally ill or attempted suicide
- Your child saw or heard household members hurt or threaten to hurt each other
- A household member swore at, insulted, humiliated, or put down your child in a way that scared your child OR a household member acted in a way that made your child afraid that s/he might be physically hurt
- Someone touched your child's private parts or asked them to touch that person's private parts in a sexual way that was unwanted, against your child's will, or made your child feel uncomfortable
- More than once, your child went without food, clothing, a place to live, or had no one to protect her/him
- Someone pushed, grabbed, slapped or threw something at your child OR your child was hit so hard that your child was injured or had marks
- Your child lived with someone who had a problem with drinking or using drugs
- Your child often felt unsupported, unloved and/or unprotected

**2) Of the statements in Section 2, HOW MANY apply to your child? Write the total number in the box.**

**Section 2. At any point since your child was born...**

- Your child was in foster care
- Your child experienced harassment or bullying at school
- Your child lived with a parent or guardian who died
- Your child was separated from her/his primary caregiver through deportation or immigration
- Your child had a serious medical procedure or life threatening illness
- Your child often saw or heard violence in the neighborhood or in her/his school neighborhood
- Your child was detained, arrested or incarcerated
- Your child was often treated badly because of race, sexual orientation, place of birth, disability or religion
- Your child experienced verbal or physical abuse or threats from a romantic partner (i.e. boyfriend or girlfriend)

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**CYW Adverse Childhood Experiences Questionnaire (ACE-Q) Child**  
To be completed by Parent/Caregiver

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Child: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Traumatic Stress Screen for Children and Adolescent

**University of Minnesota's Traumatic Stress Screen for Children and Adolescents (TSSCA)**

Name of Child/Adolescent: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  M  F  
 Interviewer Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Assessment Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Below is a list of problems that people sometimes have after experiencing a bad or upsetting event. Bad or upsetting events might include being threatened or hurt, seeing someone else threatened or hurt, or feeling like your life was in danger.

Have you ever experienced a bad or upsetting event?  Yes  No

If yes, what was the bad or upsetting event? Feel free to list more than one:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

When thinking about your bad or upsetting event, how often have the following problems happened to you during the past month?

	Never	Sometimes	Often
1. Had upsetting thoughts, images, or memories of the event come into your mind when you didn't want them to?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Felt afraid, scared, or sad when something reminded you about the event?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Tried to stay away from people, places, or activities that reminded you of the event?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Had trouble feeling happiness, enjoyment, or love?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Felt on the lookout for danger or other things that you are afraid of (for example, locking your car door when nothing is there)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

TOTAL

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**Administration and Scoring Guidelines for the University of Minnesota's Traumatic Stress Screen**

**SCREENING:** Scan the screen from Questions 1 through 5 to yield the "TOTAL" score.  A score of 4 or higher indicates a moderate to severe traumatic stress symptomatology. This is a likely signal for a trauma assessment.

**PURPOSE:** The TSSCA is intended to assist child-serving professionals in using a trauma screening approach with children ages 6 to 18, who have exposure to a history or suspected traumatic event. The screen provides information for individuals considering a referral for a trauma assessment or additional services. The screen is not intended to assess the psychiatric needs (including PTSD), or to make a clinical diagnosis.

**PREPARATION**

- This screen should have a basic understanding of trauma, its symptoms, and related interventions. Clinicians should also be familiar with the difference between trauma screening and trauma assessment.
- Identify a clinician or administrator for administering the screening instrument to your client. Screening should occur as early as possible in the assessment and treatment process.
- Identify who will administer the screen to the child (for example, the intake worker, the case manager, etc.).
- Prior to giving the screen for the first time, pilot test with a caregiver.

**SCREEN ADMINISTRATION**

- Start by explaining to the child by asking a few non-threatening screen-up questions such as: "Have you ever go to school? Who brought you here today? What is your car's make?"
- Determine if you want to give the screen to the child in the presence of the caregiver. Children may respond positively in front of an adult, even an adult they trust. Other children may need encouragement to answer.
- Explain the reasons for the screening to the child, in both the child and caregiver, using simple language such as: "Sometimes I ask some questions to help me understand you and what you may need. With caregivers, you might say, 'This is a screening instrument to assist for the impact of traumatic event. The next help or determine whether your child may benefit from a more thorough trauma assessment."
- Emphasize the brevity of the screening instrument to the child. If a child identifies a bad or upsetting event, state that you will not ask for a lot of details, but just enough to understand what they are thinking about. State that for each of the questions, you are just looking for a number, and that they do not have to explain why they answered in a particular way.
- For younger children, establish that they understand the scaling idea. You can use simple questions such as: "How often do you think your teacher? How often do you have an exam for breakfast?"
- Explain who will know about the results and why.

**POST SCREEN AND REMINDERS**

- Follow up with the child to assess the effects of the screening instrument by asking a question such as: "How was that like for you?"
- Document the results. Establish follow-up plans, which may include a referral for an in-depth trauma assessment.
- Remind: If you approach the screen without anxiety, the child will be less anxious. Remember, what happened to the child has already happened. Therefore, the screening questions are not re-traumatizing.

**BACKGROUND NOTES:** This screen was developed using a sample of 131 youth from an community mental health settings. Performance of the screening instrument was assessed in relation to the UCLA PTSD RI for DSM-5 (Pines & Steinberg, 2016). A cutoff score of 4 or higher yields 87% sensitivity and 87% specificity. The results are based on a preliminary study and may or may not change in the future depending on further studies.

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# Substance Use

- CAGE-AID
- CRAFFT



# CAGE-AID



## CAGE-AID Substance Abuse Screening Tool

The CAGE-AID screening tool was adapted from the CAGE alcohol assessment tool to include questions about drug use. The target population for the CAGE-AID is both adults and adolescents and can be administered by patient interview or self-report. These tools are not used to diagnose diseases, but only to indicate whether a problem might exist.

When thinking about drug use, include illegal drug use and the use of prescription drugs other than as prescribed

<b>C</b>	Have you ever felt the need to <b>cut</b> down on your drinking or drug use?	Yes	No
<b>A</b>	Have people <b>annoyed</b> you by criticizing your drinking or drug use?	Yes	No
<b>G</b>	Have you ever felt <b>guilty</b> about drinking or drug use?	Yes	No
<b>E</b>	Have you ever felt you needed a drink or used drugs first thing in the morning to steady your nerves or to get rid of a hangover ( <b>Eye-Doper</b> )?	Yes	No

### Scoring

A "yes" answer to one item indicates a possible substance use disorder and a need for further testing.

#### References

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# CRAFFT

## The CRAFFT Questionnaire (version 2.0)

To be completed by patient

Please answer all questions **honestly**; your answers will be kept **confidential**.

During the **PAST 12 MONTHS**, on how many days did you:

1. Drink more than a few sips of beer, wine, or any drink containing **alcohol**? Put "0" if none.  # of days
2. Use any **marijuana** (pot, weed, hash, or in foods) or **"synthetic marijuana"** (like "K2," "Spice") or **"vaping" THC oil**? Put "0" if none.  # of days
3. Use **anything else to get high** (like other illegal drugs, prescription or over-the-counter medications, and things that you sniff or "huff")? Put "0" if none.  # of days

### READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE CONTINUING:

• If you put "0" in **ALL** of the boxes above, **ANSWER QUESTION 4, THEN STOP.**

• If you put "1" or higher in **ANY** of the boxes above, **ANSWER QUESTIONS 4-9.**

- |   | No                       | Yes                      |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 4. Have you ever ridden in a <b>CAR</b> driven by someone (including yourself) who was "high" or had been using alcohol or drugs? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Do you ever use alcohol or drugs to <b>RELAX</b> , feel better about yourself, or fit in?                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Do you ever use alcohol or drugs while you are by yourself, or <b>ALONE</b> ?  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Do you ever <b>FORGET</b> things you did while using alcohol or drugs?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Do your <b>FAMILY</b> or <b>FRIENDS</b> ever tell you that you should cut down on your drinking or drug use?                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. Have you ever gotten into <b>TROUBLE</b> while you were using alcohol or drugs?  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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