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Patient Name:	Patient DOB:	Patient ID:
Date:	Phone:	Completed by:

Symptom Accuity Rating Scale (SARS)

	0	1	2	3	4
Rating Scale	N. D. 11	V M11/D D 11			
	No Problem	Very Mild/Rare Problem	Moderate/Occasional Problem	Serious/Repeated Problem	Very Serious/Constant Problem

Instructions: Use the rating scale above to rate each behavioral symptom dimension in terms of either severity or frequency of the stated problem in this youth's life.

High Risk Behaviors	Score	Aggression	Score
Substance abuse		Argumentativeness	
Truancy from school		Physical confrontation	
Running away		Bullying/teasing	
Inappropriate sexual activity		Provokes conflict with family	
Theft/stealing		Provokes conflict with peers	
Property destruction		Fascination with fire-setting	
Curfew violations		Stubborn/passive aggressive	
Fighting			

Affect Instability	Score	Self-Harm	Score
Depression/Apathy		Self-mutilating/cutting	
(Hypo-) Mania/Restlessness		Suicidal thoughts/statements	
Disrupted sleep/Nightmares		Suicidal behaviors	
Temper tantrums		Striking objects/head banging	
Behavioral impulsivity		Academic Problems	Score
Anxiety/Fear		Declining grades	
Loud and intrusive		School suspensions	
Crying		Excessive absenteeism	
Feels worthless		Refusal to turn in homework	
Restless/fidgety		Undiagnosed learning disorder	
		Boredom/Lack of motivation	

Social Dysfunction	Score	Cognitive Dysfunction	Score
Isolation from family		Memory problems	
Isolation from peers		Confusion	
Defiance of family rules		Auditory/visual hallucinations	
Inattentiveness		Paranoid beliefs/suspicions	
Victim of bullying/peer pressure		Medical/Physical Problems	Score
Inappropriate peer affiliations		Hygiene	
Social skills deficits		Asthma	
Clingy and dependent		Enuresis/encopresis	
Lonely		Clumsy/uncoordinated	
Affiliates with younger peers		Speech problems	

Family Functioning	Score	Outpatient Treatment	Score
Poor/no communication		Refuses to attend	
Disrespectful behaviors		Counseling unavailable	
Dishonest behaviors		Not medication compliant	
		Medications ineffective	

References

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