COLUMBIA-SUICIDE SEVERITY RATING SCALE

Screen Version – Recent

SUICIDE IDEATION DEFINITIONS AND PROMPTS	**Past month**	
Ask questions that are **bolded** and underlined.	**Yes**	**No**
Ask Questions 1 and 2		
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 of ending your life?		
If YES to Q2, ask Q3, 4, 5, and 6. If NO to Q2, go directly to Q6.		
3) Have you been thinking about how you might do this? *E.g. "I thought about taking an overdose but I never made a specific plan as to when where or how I would actually do it....and I would never go through with it.*		
4) Have you had these thoughts and had some intention of acting on them? *As opposed to "I have the thoughts but I definitely will not do anything about them."*		
5) Have you started to work out or worked out the details of how to kill yourself?		
6) **Have you ever done anything, started to do anything, or prepared to do anything to end your life?** *Examples: Collected pills, obtained a knife, gave away valuables, wrote a will or suicide note, took out pills but didn't swallow any, held a knife but changed your mind or it was grabbed from your hand, went to the roof but didn't jump; or actually took pills, cut yourself, tried to hang yourself, etc.* If YES, ask: **Was this within the past three months?**		

Low Risk

Moderate Risk

High Risk

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