



Preschool Pediatric Symptom Checklist (PPSC) Scoring Guide

Scoring Instructions

1. Determine the PPSC total score by assigning a "0" for each "not at all" response, a "1" for each "somewhat" response, and a "2" for each "very much" response, and sum the results.
2. For items where parents have selected multiple responses for a single question, choose the more concerning answer (i.e. "somewhat" or "very much") farthest to the right.
3. A missing item counts as zero.

Interpretation:

A PPSC total score of 9 or greater indicates that a child is "at risk" and needs further evaluation.

Note: In our preliminary study, 85% of children with a behavioral disorder were also identified on the PPSC. However, 18% of children who had not been diagnosed with a behavioral disorder were also identified. We therefore recommend interpreting results of this questionnaire with caution.

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