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Full Service Behavioral Health

ADHD SCREENING TOOL (CHILDREN)

Warning: The following screening tool is intended to identify ADHD. It is not to replace professional and clinical judgment. Consult a clinician for proper diagnosis.

Check the column that best describes the child's behavior for the last 6 months.

Inattention		Not at All	Sometimes	Frequently
1.	Often fails to give close attention to details or makes careless mistakes in schoolwork, work, or other activities.			
2.	Often has difficulty sustaining attention in tasks or play activities.			
3.	Often does not seem to listen when spoken to directly.			
4.	Often does not follow through on instructions and fails to finish schoolwork, chores, or duties in the workplace (not due to failure to understand directions).			
5.	Often has difficulty organizing tasks and activities.			
6.	Often avoids, dislikes, or is reluctant to engage in tasks that require sustained mental effort (such as schoolwork or homework).			
7.	Often loses things necessary for tasks or activities (e.g., toys, school assignments, pencils, books, tools).			
8.	Is often easily distracted by extraneous stimuli.			
9.	Is often forgetful in daily activities.			
Hyperactivity				
10.	Often fidgets with hands or feet or squirms in seat.			
11.	Often leaves seat in classroom or in other situations in which remaining seated is expected.			
12.	Often runs about or climbs excessively in situations in which it is inappropriate (in adolescents or adults, may be limited to subjective feelings or restlessness).			
13.	Often has difficulty playing or engaging in leisure activities quietly.			
14.	Is often "on the go" or often acts as if "driven by a motor."			
15.	Often talks excessively.			
Impulsivity				
16.	Often blurts out answers before questions have been completed.			
17.	Often has difficulty waiting turn.			
18.	Often interrupts or intrudes on others (i.e., interrupts conversations or games).			

- Six or more Inattention symptoms need to be present for a diagnosis of ADD.
- Six or more Hyperactivity and Impulsivity symptoms need to be present for a diagnosis of ADHD.