

Suicide Risk Screening in Pediatric OP Rehab

Question:

Has anyone implemented a suicide risk screening tool in the OP Rehab setting?

If you have:

- What tool / tools / questions are you using?
- What population / age / developmental level do you screen?
- What is your screening schedule? Do you screen every visit, at evaluation, first treatment session? Periodic frequency?
- Does your tool include bullying?
- Any other information you would like to share?
- Is information shared from one department to another if a positive screening in the past?

Responses:

No. Not a requirement for our clinic although this is a requirement in the medical / surgical clinics at our hospital / throughout our medical center.

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We added this to our list of "items" to screen from a Joint Commission perspective several years ago. We are currently in Meditech (as our documentation system)-switching to EPIC next Spring. If we identify at risk behavior, we fill out this intervention and it auto-generates a referral to Social Services.

We tend to see the most at-risk patients in the areas of wound/burn care, Pain Clinic, Sports Clinic, and behavioral psych patients. We are not using a specific screening tool. We just regularly inquire about concerns socially or at home...it often opens up the door for conversation.

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We use the Risk Suicide Questionnaire (RSQ) for anyone 10 years old and above and have for over a year.

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We don't have anything in place to address this issue at "E".

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"F" is not using a suicide risk screening tool.

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Has anyone implemented a suicide risk screening tool in the OP Rehab setting? If a patient and/or family member is identified to be at High Risk (suicide attempt, victim of trauma, ingestion, abuse/assault), our Social Worker completes a High Risk Assessment. Our Social Workers also use the SAFE-T tool (Suicide Assessment Five-step Evaluation and Triage).

If you have:

- What tool / tools / questions are you using? See above
- What population / age / developmental level do you screen? All ages up to 21.
- What is your screening schedule? Do you screen every visit, at evaluation, first treatment session? Periodic frequency? When identified to be at High Risk by Social Worker or treating therapist.
- Does your tool include bullying? It does not. Our Social Workers work closely families and school systems when bullying is identified. If adult bullying is a concern , then the Social Worker is working with Protective Services.
- Any other information you would like to share?
- Is information shared from one department to another if a positive screening in the past? Yes, our outpatient Social Workers meet regularly.

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