

Pediatric Symptom Checklist 17

		or foster parent completing this form: ase indicate which statement best describes	vou o	r vour child.
		y: Never = 0, Sometimes = 1, Often = 2		Answer
_	•	Fidgety, unable to sit still	•	
	₩	Feel sad, unhappy	☼	
	*	Daydream too much	•	
		Refuse to share		
		Do not understand other people's feelings		
	₩	Feel hopeless	☼	
	•	Have trouble concentrating	•	
		Fight with other youth		
	☼	Down on yourself	☼	
		Blame others for your troubles		
	₩	Seem to be having less fun	☆	
		Do not listen to rules		
	•	Act as if driven by a motor	•	
		Tease others		
	☼	Worry a lot	☼	
		Take things that do not belong to you		
	*	Distract easily	•	



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The Pediatric Symptom Checklist 17 (PSC-17) is a psychosocial screen designed to facilitate the recognition of cognitive, emotional, and behavioral problems so that appropriate interventions can be initiated as early as possible.

The Y-PSC 17 consists of 17 items that are rated as "Never," "Sometimes," or "Often" present and scored 0, 1, and 2, respectively.

Items that are left blank are simply ignored (i.e., score equals 0). If four or more items are left blank, the questionnaire is considered invalid.

The total score is calculated by adding together the score for each of the 17 items.

Positive PSC-17 score ≥15

For a score of 15, the child/youth must be referred for further evaluation by a mental health provider.

Attention, internalizing and externalizing subscale scores are calculated by adding the score for each corresponding symbol:

- □ Internalizing, positive score ≥7
- = Externalizing, positive score ≥5

The PSC-17 Attention Subscale consists of 5 items:

- ♦ Fidgety, unable to sit still
- ♦ Daydreams too much
- Distracted easily
- ♦ Has trouble concentrating
- ♦ Acts as if driven by a motor

The PSC-17 Internalizing Subscale consists of 5 items:

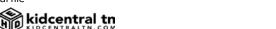
- ☼ Feels sad, unhappy
- ☼ Feels hopeless
- ☼ Is down on self
- ☼ Worries a lot
- ☼ Seems to be having less fun

The PSC-17 Externalizing Subscale consists of 7 items:

- $\hfill \square$ Fights with other children
- □ Does not listen to rules
- □ Does not understand other people's feelings
- □ Teases others
- □ Blames other for his/her troubles
- □ Refuses to share
- □ Takes things that do not belong to him/her

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