

## COLUMBIA-SUICIDE SEVERITY RATING SCALE

*Screen Version - Recent*

<b>SUICIDE IDEATION DEFINITIONS AND PROMPTS</b>	<b>Past month</b>	
<b>Ask questions that are bolded and <u>underlined</u>.</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>Ask Questions 1 and 2</b>		
<b>1) <u>Have you wished you were dead or wished you could go to sleep and not wake up?</u></b>		
<b>2) <u>Have you actually had any thoughts of killing yourself?</u></b>		
<b>If YES to 2, ask questions 3, 4, 5, and 6. If NO to 2, go directly to question 6.</b>		
<b>3) <u>Have you been thinking about how you might do this?</u></b> <i>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."</i>		
<b>4) <u>Have you had these thoughts and had some intention of acting on them?</u></b> <i>As opposed to "I have the thoughts but I definitely will not do anything about them."</i>		
<b>5) <u>Have you started to work out or worked out the details of how to kill yourself? Do you intend to carry out this plan?</u></b>		

<b>6) <u>Have you ever done anything, started to do anything, or prepared to do anything to end your life?</u></b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Examples: Collected pills, obtained a gun, gave away valuables, wrote a will or suicide note, took out pills but didn't swallow any, held a gun but changed your mind or it was grabbed from your hand, went to the roof but didn't jump; or actually took pills, tried to shoot yourself, cut yourself, tried to hang yourself, etc.		
<b>If YES, ask: <u>Was this within the past three months?</u></b>		

- Low Risk
- Moderate Risk
- High Risk