

Brief Psychiatric Rating Scale (BPRS) (ref 1)

Individual's name:

Date:

Rater's name:

INSTRUCTIONS

This form consists of 24 symptom constructs, each to be rated on a 7point scale of severity ranging from 'not present' to 'extremely severe'. If a specific symptom is not rated, mark 'NA' (not assessed). Circle the number headed by the term that best describes the patients present condition.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
not present	very mild	mild	moderate	moderately severe	severe	extremely severe

1.	Somatic concern	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2.	Anxiety	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3.	Depression	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
4.	Suicidality	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
5.	Guilt	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
6.	Hostility	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
7.	Elated mood	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8.	Grandiosity	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
9.	Suspiciousness	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
10.	Hallucinations	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
11.	Unusual thought content	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
12.	Bizarre behaviour	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
13.	Self-neglect	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
14.	Disorientation	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
15.	Conceptual disorganisation	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
16.	Blunted affect	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
17.	Emotional withdrawal	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
18.	Motor retardation	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
19.	Tension	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
20.	Uncooperativeness	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
21.	Excitement	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
22.	Distractibility	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
23.	Motor hyperactivity	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
24.	Mannerisms and posturing	NA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Reference

1 This version was adapted by Ventura, M.A., Green, M.F., Shaner, A. & Liberman, R.P. (1993). Training and quality assurance with the brief psychiatric rating scale: "The drift buster". International Journal of Methods in Psychiatric Research, 3, 221-244.