Child and Adolescent Trauma Screen (CATS) - Caregiver Report (Ages 3-6)

Child’s Name ______________________ Caregiver Name ______________________ Date __________

Stressful or scary events happen to many children. Below is a list of stressful and scary events that sometimes happen. Mark YES if it happened to the child to the best of your knowledge. Mark NO if it didn’t happen to the child.

1. Serious natural disaster like a flood, tornado, hurricane, earthquake, or fire. □ Yes □ No
2. Serious accident or injury like a car/bike crash, dog bite, or sports injury. □ Yes □ No
3. Threatened, hit or hurt badly within the family. □ Yes □ No
4. Threatened, hit or hurt badly in school or the community. □ Yes □ No
5. Attacked, stabbed, shot at or robbed by threat. □ Yes □ No
6. Seeing someone in the family threatened, hit or hurt badly. □ Yes □ No
7. Seeing someone in school or the community threatened, hit or hurt badly. □ Yes □ No
8. Someone doing sexual things to the child or making the child do sexual things to them when he/she couldn’t say no. Or when the child was forced or pressured. □ Yes □ No
9. On line or in social media, someone asking or pressuring the child to do something sexual. Like take or send pictures. □ Yes □ No
10. Someone bullying the child in person. Saying very mean things that scare him/her. □ Yes □ No
11. Someone bullying the child online. Saying very mean things that scare him/her. □ Yes □ No
12. Someone close to the child dying suddenly or violently. □ Yes □ No
13. Stressful or scary medical procedure. □ Yes □ No
14. Being around war. □ Yes □ No
15. Other stressful or scary event? □ Yes □ No

Describe: ____________________________________________________________

Turn the page and answer the next questions about all the scary or stressful events that happened to the child.
Mark 0, 1, 2 or 3 for how often the following things have bothered the child in the last two weeks:

0  Never /  1 Once in a while /  2 Half the time /  3 Almost always

1. Upsetting thoughts or images about a stressful event. Or re-enacting a stressful event in play. 0 1 2 3
2. Bad dreams related to a stressful event. 0 1 2 3
3. Acting, playing or feeling as if a stressful event is happening right now. 0 1 2 3
4. Feeling very emotionally upset when reminded of a stressful event. 0 1 2 3
5. Strong physical reactions when reminded of a stressful event (sweating, heart beating fast). 0 1 2 3
6. Trying not to remember, talk about or have feelings about a stressful event. 0 1 2 3
7. Avoiding activities, people, places or things that are reminders of a stressful event. 0 1 2 3
8. Increase in negative emotional states (afraid, angry, guilty, ashamed, confusion). 0 1 2 3
9. Losing interest in activities s/he enjoyed before a stressful event. Including not playing as much. 0 1 2 3
10. Acting socially withdrawn. 0 1 2 3
11. Reduction in showing positive feelings (being happy, having loving feelings). 0 1 2 3
12. Being irritable. Or having angry outbursts without a good reason and taking it out on other people or things. 0 1 2 3
13. Being overly alert or on guard. 0 1 2 3
14. Being jumpy or easily startled. 0 1 2 3
15. Problems with concentration. 0 1 2 3
16. Trouble falling or staying asleep. 0 1 2 3

CATS 3-6 Years Score <11  Normal. Not clinically elevated.  CATS 3-6 Years Score 12-15  Moderate trauma-related distress.  CATS 3-6 Years Score 15+  Probable PTSD.

Please mark “YES” or “NO” if the problems you marked interfered with:

1. Getting along with others  [ ] Yes [ ] No
2. Hobbies/Fun  [ ] Yes  [ ] No
3. School or work  [ ] Yes [ ] No
4. Family relationships  [ ] Yes  [ ] No
5. General happiness  [ ] Yes  [ ] No