

Criminal Behavior Module (9)

Question to Consider for this Module: *What is the nature of the individual's involvement in the justice system? Please rate the highest level from the past 30 days unless otherwise indicated.*

SERIOUSNESS - This item rates the seriousness of the individual's criminal offenses.	
<p>Questions to Consider</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → What are the behaviors/actions that have made the individual involved in the criminal justice system? → Are the charges serious or violent felonies or misdemeanors? 	<p>Ratings & Definitions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 No evidence of criminal behavior. 1 Individual has engaged in delinquent behavior. 2 Individual has engaged in criminal behavior. 3 Individual has engaged in delinquent criminal behavior that places other citizens at risk of significant physical harm.
HISTORY - This item rates the individual's history of delinquency. Please rate using time frames provided in the definitions.	
<p>Questions to Consider</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → How many criminal/delinquent behaviors has the individual engaged in? → Are there periods of time in which the individual did not engage in criminal behaviors? 	<p>Ratings & Definitions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 Current criminal/delinquent behavior is the first known occurrence. 1 Individual has engaged in multiple criminal/delinquent acts in the past one year. 2 Individual has engaged in multiple criminal/delinquent acts for more than one year but has had periods of at least 3 months where s/he did not engage in delinquent behavior. 3 Individual has engaged in multiple criminal/delinquent acts for more than one year without any period of at least 3 months where s/he did not engage in criminal/delinquent behavior.
ARRESTS - This item rates the individual's history of arrests in the criminal justice sector.	
<p>Questions to Consider</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Does the individual engage in preplanned or spontaneous criminal acts? 	<p>Ratings & Definitions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 Individual has no known arrests in past. 1 Individual has history of delinquency, but no arrests past 30 days. 2 Individual has 1 to 2 arrests in last 30 days. 3 Individual has more than 2 arrests in last 30 days.
PLANNING - This item rates the premeditation or spontaneity of the criminal acts.	
<p>Questions to Consider</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Does the individual engage in preplanned or spontaneous criminal acts? 	<p>Ratings & Definitions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 No evidence of any planning. Delinquent behavior appears opportunistic or impulsive. 1 Evidence suggests that individual places him/herself into situations where the likelihood of delinquent behavior is enhanced. 2 Evidence of some planning of delinquent behavior. 3 Considerable evidence of significant planning of delinquent behavior. Behavior is clearly premeditated.

COMMUNITY SAFETY - This item rates the level to which the criminal behavior of the individual puts the community's safety at risk.

Questions to Consider

- Is the delinquency violent in nature?
- Does the individual commit violent crimes against people or property?

Ratings & Definitions

- 0** Individual presents no risk to the community. S/he could be unsupervised in the community.
- 1** Individual engages in behavior that represents a risk to community property.
- 2** Individual engages in behavior that places community residents in some danger of physical harm. This danger may be an indirect effect of the individual's behavior.
- 3** Individual engages in behavior that directly places community members in danger of significant physical harm.

LEGAL COMPLIANCE - This item rates the individual's compliance with the rules of the court and probation.

Questions to Consider

- Is the individual compliant with the terms of his/her probation?
- Is the individual attending appointments, school, etc.?
- Is the individual actively or frequently violating probation?

Ratings & Definitions

- 0** Individual is fully compliant with all responsibilities imposed by the court (e.g. school attendance, treatment, restraining orders) or no court orders are currently in place.
- 1** Individual is in general compliance with responsibilities imposed by the court (e.g. occasionally missed appointments).
- 2** Individual is in partial noncompliance with standing court orders (e.g. individual is going to school but not attending court-order treatment).
- 3** Individual is in serious and/or complete noncompliance with standing court orders (e.g. parole violations).

PEER CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR (INFLUENCES) – This item rates the level to which the individual's peers engage in criminal behavior.

Questions to Consider

- Does the individual's friends also engage in criminal behavior?
- Is the individual's peer group involved in criminal justice system or parole/probation?

Ratings & Definitions

- 0** Individual's primary peer social network does not engage in delinquent behavior.
- 1** Individual has peers in his/her primary peer social network who do not engage in delinquent behavior but has some peers who do.
- 2** Individual predominantly has peers who engage in delinquent behavior but individual is not a member of a gang whose membership encourages or requires illegal behavior as aspect of membership.
- 3** Individual is a member of a gang whose membership encourages or requires illegal behavior as an aspect of gang membership.

PARENTAL CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR (INFLUENCES) - This item rates the level to which the individual's parents are involved in criminal behavior.

Questions to Consider

- Do the individual's parents engage in criminal acts?
- Is either of the parents in jail? If so, do they have contact with the individual?

Ratings & Definitions

- 0** There is no evidence that individual's parents have ever engaged in criminal behavior.
- 1** One of individual's parents has history of criminal behavior but individual has not been in contact with this parent for at least one year.
- 2** One of individual's parents has history of criminal behavior and individual has been in contact with this parent in the past year.
- 3** Both of individual's parents have history of criminal behavior.

ENVIRONMENTAL INFLUENCES - This item rates the influence of community criminal behavior on the individual's delinquency.

Questions to Consider

- Does the individual live in a neighborhood/community with high levels of crime?
- Is the individual a frequent witness or victim of such crime?

Ratings & Definitions

- 0** No evidence that the individual's environment stimulates or exposes the individual to any criminal behavior.
- 1** Mild problems in the individual's environment that might expose the individual to criminal behavior.
- 2** Moderate problems in the individual's environment that clearly expose the individual to criminal behavior.
- 3** Severe problems in the individual's environment that stimulate the individual to engage in criminal behavior.