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**Universal suicide screening will be performed at every visit for patients 12 years and older. Patients who identify risk of suicide require further screening and assessment with the provider and interventions as needed, including safety planning.**

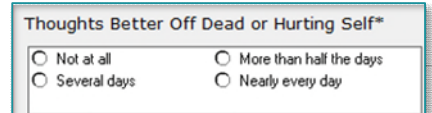
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### Initial Suicide Screening Question

During intake, complete initial screening using the PHQ2 Plus or Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Screening.

**STEP 1:** Complete Depression Screening with patient, including asking item:

- **PHQ2 Plus:** Item 9, **Thoughts Better off dead or hurting self.**
- **Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Screening:** Item 10, **The thought of harming myself has occurred to me.**



**STEP 2:** If responses include anything other than **Not at All**, a SmartZone alert fires for the provider to complete the **BH SAFE-T Protocol with CSSRS PowerForm.**

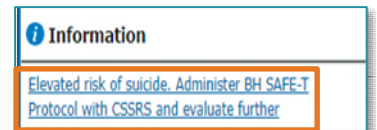
- Clinical Staff communicate to provider if there is a positive response to initial screening question.

**NOTE:** If patient scores a 5 or above on the Depression Screening, the Depression Follow- Up Plan SmartZone alert may also fire. For more information on how to address the alert, click [here](#).

### Further Screening and Assessment

➤ **Elevated Risk of Suicide Screening – CSSRS Screener**

Further suicide risk screening is required by the provider if there is an elevated risk of suicide in response to the Depression screening question.



**STEP 1:** Select the **Elevated risk of suicide Administer BH SAFE-T Protocol with CSSRS and evaluate further** Smart Zone alert.

**STEP 2:** Complete the **CSSRS Screener.**

**NOTE:** The Screener auto-calculates the Screened Suicide Risk Level. If **Low Risk**, a conditional section populates stating that **Risk is Low- No Assessment Needed.**

➤ **Moderate or High-Risk Screening – BH SAFE-T Protocol with CSSRS Assessment**

When a risk screening indicates a moderate or high range, further assessment is needed to determine a patient's suicide risk level.

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**STEP 1:** Complete **Risk Factors and Behaviors** section.

**STEP 2:** Complete **Protective Factors** section.

**STEP 3:** Select **Risk Stratification** section.

**STEP 4:** Select applicable responses, starting with high risk.

- Refer to responses in previous sections to determine the most appropriate boxes to select.

**STEP 5:** Indicate **Risk Interventions** used.

**STEP 6:** Select the **Risk Level** section to complete the **Risk Level** and **Clinical Formulation**.

**NOTE:** Use auto text `/bh_safet-t_assessment` to populate the risk level and clinical formulation in the note.

## Safety Plan

If an assessment is performed and patient is determined safe to go home, a safety plan is completed.

**STEP 1:** Complete **Safety Plan** section with the patient.

- If it has previously been completed the information auto populates. Review and update as needed.

**STEP 2:** Enter in **Patient Instructions**, auto text `/bh_safetyplan`.

- Print the **Ambulatory Patient Summary** to provide the patient the Safety Plan information.

**Guidelines to Determine Level of Risk and Develop Interventions to LOWER Risk Level**

**High Risk**  
Suicidal ideation with intent, plan in past month  
Suicidal behavior within past 3 months

Possible High Risk Interventions Only choose Interventions that are applicable to your area of care.

**Moderate Risk**  
Suicidal ideation WITHOUT plan, intent or behaviors in past month  
Suicidal behavior more than 3 months ago  
Multiple risk factors and few protective factors

Possible Moderate Risk Interventions

**Low Risk**  
Suicidal ideation more than 1 month ago WITHOUT plan, intent or behavior (C-SSRS screen #2 or #3)  
Wish to die (C-SSRS Suicidal Ideation #1) WITHOUT plan, intent or behavior  
Modifiable risk factors and strong protective factors  
No reported history of suicidal ideation or behavior

Possible Low Risk Interventions

**Risk Level**  
 High risk  
 Moderate risk  
 Low risk

**Clinical Formulation**  
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**Patient Instructions**

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**NOTE:** Ambulatory Visit summaries are also available in the patient portal.