

The Columbia-Suicide Severity Rating Scale (CSSRS) Assessments are an evidence-based set of tools that assist in risk identification for patients and are used to assist in establishing a patient's immediate risk of suicide and identifying the correct level of care.

Emergency Department

Upon intake, nursing staff can screen patients for risk of suicide by using the CSSRS Screen. If further assessment is needed to identify the patient's immediate suicide risk level, the CSSRS Risk Assessment is completed.

➤ CSSRS Screen

- During triage, if a patient presents for a **Behavioral Health Complaint** a **Yes** response is selected, the **CSSRS Screen** will populate to complete.
 - If a **No** response is indicated for a **Behavioral Health Complaint**, the **CSSRS Screen** can be accessed by selecting **Yes** to the **Suicide Screening Assessment** question. This will populate the CSSRS Screen for nursing to complete.
- The **Response Protocol** for the **CSSRS Screen** is located in **blue font** at the bottom of the assessment
 - Responses are linked to the last question that was answered with a **Yes** response from the patient
 - If the patient has a positive response to the **CSSRS Screen**, the **CSSRS Suicide Risk Assessment** is completed to determine the patient's immediate risk of suicide.

Does the Patient Have a Behavioral Health Complaint

Yes

No

No, still screen for Suicide Risk

➤ CSSRS Risk Assessment

- If the patient had a positive response within the **CSSRS Screen**, select the **CSSRS Risk Assessment** section within the triage form to complete the assessment, indicating the **Assessed Risk Level** at the bottom of the form.

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Inpatient

Upon intake, nursing staff screen patients for risk of suicide by using the CSSRS Screen. If further assessment is needed to identify the patient's immediate suicide risk level, the CSSRS Risk Assessment is completed.

➤ CSSRS Screen

- During intake, patients are screened for risk of suicide by using the **CSSRS Screen** section of the intake form.
- The **Response Protocol** for the **CSSRS Screen** is located in **blue font** at the bottom of the assessment
 - Responses are linked to the last question that was answered with a **Yes** response from the patient
 - If the patient has a positive response to the **CSSRS Screen**, the **CSSRS Suicide Risk Assessment** is completed to determine the patient's immediate risk of suicide.

➤ CSSRS Risk Assessment

- If the patient had a positive response within the **CSSRS Screen**, navigate to the **Assessments** folder within Adhoc and select the **CSSRS Risk Assessment** form to complete the assessment, indicating the **Assessed Risk Level** at the bottom of the form.

