Revised Hamilton Rating Scale for Depression (RHRSD)
Self-Report Problem Inventory

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ID Number: Sample-S
Age: Not Entered
Gender: Male
Name: Self-Report
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The RHRSD Self-Report Problem Inventory is a brief scale for assessing depressive symptom type and severity. Users should be familiar with the RHRSD Manual (WPS Product No. W-290C). Clinicians assessing depressed patients should be trained in assessing suicide risk.

Raw Score

Validity Score 2
>=6: interpret with caution
Inconsistency Score 0
>=4: interpret with caution
Total Score 27
<=10: Nonclinical Range
11-16: Minor Depression
17-25: Major Depression
>=26: Severe Depression

TCAR 12
<=4: low
5-13: average
>=14: high

Major Depressive Episode (DSM-III-R or DSM-IV)
This individual’s RHRSD responses result in an MDE score of 8, which is consistent with the presence of a moderate Major Depressive Episode.

Melancholic Features
There were 5 MEL items endorsed, which is consistent with the presence of melancholic features.

General Screening Items
The General Screening items at the beginning of the RHRSD ask about ways in which everyday functioning can be disrupted by depressive symptoms. An affirmative response to any of these items should be discussed with the client. This client gave affirmative responses to 5 of these 8 items.

Validity
The Validity score of 2 indicates that there was no contradiction in this client’s report of the presence or absence of depressive symptoms. This client’s responses indicate that feelings of guilt, suicidal thoughts, and his level of work and activities may contribute to any current difficulties. Self-ratings in these areas are often more severe than ratings given by a clinician. Further inquiry with the client in these areas is recommended.
There were no obvious inconsistencies in this client’s responses.
Diagnosis
This client’s RHRSD Total Score of 27 suggests that he is suffering severe depression. His ratings are also consistent with the diagnosis of at least a moderate Major Depressive Episode. Melancholic features are indicated.

Most RHRSD symptoms may occur as medication side effects, particularly for older patients. Be sure to check the client’s medication regime and the possible adverse effects and interactions for the drugs he is taking.

Suicidality
The client has reported some self-destructive thoughts or behaviors. He should be evaluated for suicide risk. It may be helpful to administer the Suicide Probability Scale (WPS Product No. W-172).

Symptoms Responsive to Commonly Prescribed Medications
   Tricyclic Antidepressants. The client’s TCAR score for symptoms that may be expected to respond to the administration of tricyclic antidepressants is 12, which is in the average range. For this client, the symptoms are Depressed Mood, Feelings of Guilt, Early Morning Waking, and Work and Activities.
   Hypnotics. This client reports insomnia and nocturnal waking, which may respond to hypnotic medication.

Symptoms of Other Psychiatric Disorders
   Obsessions/Compulsions. This client’s symptoms include some obsessive or compulsive difficulties. These often accompany low levels of depression. This area should be evaluated further. Depressed individuals with these symptoms often respond to clomipramine or to behavior therapy.

Item Responses


Response Key
T  True
F  False
-  Missing Response

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