

Psychiatric University Hospital Zurich, Division of Clinical Psychiatry
SCALE FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF NEGATIVE SYMPTOMS

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STUDY	[_ _ _ _]	1-4
GROUP	[_ _]	5-6
PATIENT	[_ _ _]	7-9
RATING DAY	[_ _ _]	10-12
CARD NUMBER	[_ _]	13-14
Sex (1=male, 2=female)	[_]	15
Birthday (dd.mm.yy)	[_ _ : _ _ : _ _]	16-21
Date of hospitalization (dd.mm.yy)	[_ _ : _ _ : _ _]	22-27
First diagnosis	[_ _ _ . _ _]	28-32
Second diagnosis	[_ _ _ . _ _]	33-37
Diagnostic system (1=ICD9, 2=ICD10, 3=DSM3-R, 4=DSM4)	[_]	38
Age at onset	[_ _]	39-40
Course (1=first manifestation, 2=intermittent, 3=progredient, 4=chronic)	[_]	41
Duration of Current Episode Prior to Hospitalization (days)	[_ _ _]	42-44
Medication Prior to Hospitalization (0=none, 1=antidepr., 2=neuroleptics, 3=other)	[_]	45
Current Medication (cf. list of codes)	[_ _ _]	46-48
Educational level (1=remedial, 2=junior high, 3=high, 4=college)	[_]	49
DATE (dd.mm.yy)	[_ _ : _ _ : _ _]	50-55
INTERVIEWER	[_ _ _]	56-58
HOSPITAL	[_ _]	59-60

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0. CARD NUMBER	[_ _]	13-14
1. AFFECTIVE FLATTENING OR BLUNTING		
1 Unchanged Facial Expression The patient's face appears wooden —changes less than expected as emotional content of discourse changes.	[_]	15
2 Decreased Spontaneous Movements The patient shows few or no spontaneous movements, does not shift position, move extremities, etc.	[_]	16
3 Paucity of Expressive Gestures The patient does not use hand gestures, body position, etc, as an aid in expressing his ideas.	[_]	17
4 Poor Eye Contact The patient avoids eye contact or “stares through” interviewer even when speaking.	[_]	18
5 Affective Nonresponsiveness The patient fails to laugh or smile when prompted.	[_]	19
6 Inappropriate Affect The patient's affect is inappropriate or incongruous, not simply flat or blunted.	[_]	20
7 Lack of Vocal Inflections The patient fails to show normal vocal emphasis patterns, is often monotonic.	[_]	21
8 Global Rating of Affective Flattening This rating should focus on overall severity of symptoms, especially unresponsiveness, eye contact, facial expression, and vocal inflections.	[_]	22
2. ALOGIA		
9 Poverty of Speech The patient's replies to questions are restricted in amount, tend to be brief, concrete, unelaborated.	[_]	23
10 Poverty of Content of Speech The patient's replies are adequate in amount but tend to be vague, overconcrete or overgeneralized, and convey little in information.	[_]	24
11 Blocking The patient indicated, either spontaneously or with prompting, that his train of thoughts was interrupted.	[_]	25
12 Increased Latency of Response The patient takes a long time to reply to questions; prompting indicates the patient is aware of the question.	[_]	26
13 Global Rating of Alogia The core features of alogia are poverty of speech and poverty of content.	[_]	27

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3. AVOLITION – APATHY

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| 14 Grooming and Hygiene | [_] | 28 |
| The patient's clothes may be sloppy or soiled, and he may have greasy hair, body odor, etc. | | |
| 15 Impersistence at Work or School | [_] | 29 |
| The patient has difficulty seeking or maintaining employment, completing school work, keeping house, etc. If an inpatient, cannot persist at ward activities, such as OT, playing cards, etc. | | |
| 16 Physical Anergia | [_] | 30 |
| The patient tends to be physically inert. He may sit for hours and not initiate spontaneous activity. | | |
| 17 Global Rating of Avolition – Apathy | [_] | 31 |
| Strong weight may be given to one or prominent symptoms if particularly striking. | | |

4. ANHEDONIA – ASOCIALITY

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| 18 Recreational Interests and Activities | [_] | 32 |
| The patient may have few or no interests. Both the quality and the quantity of interests should be taken into account. | | |
| 19 Sexual Activity | [_] | 33 |
| The patient may show decrease in sexual interest and activity, or enjoyment when active. | | |
| 20 Ability to Feel Intimacy and Closeness | [_] | 34 |
| The patient may display an inability to form close or intimate relationships, especially with opposite sex and family. | | |
| 21 Relationships with Friends and Peers | [_] | 35 |
| The patient may have few or no friends and may prefer to spend all his time isolated. | | |
| 22 Global Rating of Anhedonia – Asociality | [_] | 36 |
| This rating should reflect overall severity, taking into account the patient's age, family status, etc. | | |

5. ATTENTION

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| 23 Social Inattentiveness | [_] | 37 |
| The patient appears uninvolved or unengaged. He may seem "spacey". | | |
| 24 Inattentiveness During Mental Status Testing | [_] | 38 |
| Test of "serial 7s" (at least five subtractions) and spelling "world" backwards. Score 2 = 1 error, score 3 = 2 errors, score 4 = 3 errors. | | |
| 25 Global Rating of Attention | [_] | 39 |
| This rating should assess the patient's overall concentration, clinically and on tests. | | |