

Polyvictimization Assessment Tool

Name of Center: _____ Dates Utilized: ____/____/____

Client Name: _____ Client ID: _____ Over the age of 18? Yes ☐ No ☐

Name of Staff Member(s): ____/____/____

New Client: ☐ Returning Client: ☐ Number of sessions it took to gather the information below: _____

The Polyvictimization Assessment Tool is an information integration tool. Please ensure confidentiality is explained and honored for each client. For each event below circle "Y" for yes or "N" for no in the boxes to the right as applicable for the different stages of the client's life (Child and Teen, Adult, and In the last year). In addition to "Y" and "N" user may circle other possible responses which include "A" for the **client did not respond** to the question; "B" for the **user did not ask** due to time constraints or other limitations; and "C" for the user did not ask since it was **not appropriate to ask**. For questions that are not applicable to all clients, an additional "Does not apply" response has been included. When marking an event "In the last year," please also mark the respective time period that it would fall under (Child and Teen OR Adult). Answers should be from the *client's perspective*. If the user has additional input or thoughts, particularly around minimizing, this should be included in the "Notes" section. The number of events calculated for "In the last year" is not a victimization score but should trigger a response at the Center.

Part A: Events					
		Child and Teen (0-17)	Adult (18+)	In the last year	Notes
1. Assault/battery by parent, caregiver, partner, or relative (completed or attempted) (ex: with a gun, knife, or other weapon including fist, feet, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Note if parent, caregiver, partner, or relative:
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
2. Strangulation and/or positional asphyxia (pressure applied by any means to the neck or anywhere that made it difficult to breathe) (ex: choking, use of body weight or arms, sitting on top of you, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
3. Sexual abuse/assault by parent, caregiver, partner, relative, friend, or other (completed or attempted) (ex: rape, made to perform any type of sexual act through force or threat of harm)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Note if parent, caregiver, partner, relative, friend, or other:
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
4. Sex or labor trafficking (ex: being prostituted, forced involvement in sexual performances, forced pornography, involved in domestic servitude or other exploitative labor, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
5. Other forced/unwanted experience(s) related to your body not including abuse or assault (ex: touching, flashing, reproductive coercion such as forced abortions and family planning, revenge pornography, sexual remarks, sexual jokes, or demands for sexual favors by someone at work or school like a coworker, boss, customer, another student, teacher, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	

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6. Held against will (ex: being kidnapped, abducted, held hostage, held captive, prisoner of war, etc.)	<i>Client did not respond = A</i> <i>User did not ask = B</i> <i>Not appropriate to ask = C</i>	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	
7. Emotional/verbal abuse by parent, caregiver, partner, relative, friend, or other (ex: putting down, fear of physical violence, name calling, mind games, humiliating, guilt trips, spiritual abuse, etc.)	<i>Client did not respond = A</i> <i>User did not ask = B</i> <i>Not appropriate to ask = C</i>	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	Note if parent, caregiver, partner, relative, friend, or other:
8. Financial abuse (ex: forbidden from working, given allowance, not allowed to access bank accounts, online financial fraud, other financial cybercrimes, etc.)	<i>Client did not respond = A</i> <i>User did not ask = B</i> <i>Not appropriate to ask = C</i>	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	
9. Neglect by parent, caregiver, partner, relative, friend, or other (ex: being left unattended for long periods, lack of love or support system at home, very often feeling like not loved by family, malnutrition due to lack of adequate food/water, failure to provide necessary medical care that results in hospitalization, etc.)	<i>Client did not respond = A</i> <i>User did not ask = B</i> <i>Not appropriate to ask = C</i>	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	Note if parent, caregiver, partner, relative, friend, or other:
10. Substance use (ex: you, partner, or a close family member misuse prescription drugs, alcohol, or illicit drugs)	<i>Client did not respond = A</i> <i>User did not ask = B</i> <i>Not appropriate to ask = C</i>	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	Note if client, parent, caregiver, partner, or relative:
11. Stalking/inappropriate pursuit by parent, caregiver, partner, relative, friend, or other (ex: unwanted repeated contact in-person or via text messages, phone calls, social media, other online platforms including email, etc.)	<i>Client did not respond = A</i> <i>User did not ask = B</i> <i>Not appropriate to ask = C</i>	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	Note if parent, caregiver, partner, relative, friend, or other:
12. Poverty (ex: did not have enough food to eat, lack of basic needs such as clothes, shoes, etc.)	<i>Client did not respond = A</i> <i>User did not ask = B</i> <i>Not appropriate to ask = C</i>	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	
13. Homeless (ex: transitional housing, shelter, hotel/motel paid by voucher, someone else's home, a vehicle, an abandoned building, anywhere outside, or anywhere not meant for people to live without having any other options)	<i>Client did not respond = A</i> <i>User did not ask = B</i> <i>Not appropriate to ask = C</i>	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	Y N A B C	

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14. Severe physical injury/illness and/or mental illness resulting in hospitalization or incapacitation (ex: severe pain requiring treatment at home, due to an accident, mental health condition, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
15. Permanent or long-term loss (ex: of a spouse, romantic partner, child, parent or caregiver, due to incarceration, deportation, illness, suicide, death, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
16. Immigration related trauma (ex: separated from support network, language barriers, trouble finding a job, unfamiliar environment and food, deportation, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
Does not apply <input type="checkbox"/>					
17. Separation from child(ren) or disrupted caregiving as a child (ex: the loss of custody, visitation, or kidnapping/abduction of a child; a change of custody among family members, numerous changes in foster care placements, or deportation as a child)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
Does not apply <input type="checkbox"/>					
18. Jail/prison/probation/parole/detention time (ex: you, partner, close family member, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Note if client, parent, caregiver, partner, or relative:
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
19. Bullying (ex: verbal or physical violence in-person or online via social media and other online platforms in the workplace, school, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
20. Chronic or repeated discrimination (ex: discrimination based on race, ethnicity, where family comes from, gender, gender identity/expression, sexual orientation, ability/disability, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
21. Racial trauma (ex: physical and/or verbal threat or assault motivated by race; treatment as a stereotype and/or racial profiling; microaggressions and discriminatory comments; reduced access to and exclusion from housing, education, and employment; witnessing discrimination toward other BIPOC; generational fear of violence or threat of harm, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	

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22. Community violence (ex: physical assault/battery by a stranger; robbery, burglary, mugging, or identity theft; victim of terrorist attack; mass shootings; street riots; drive-by shootings; stabbings; beatings; heard gunshots; etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
23. System-induced trauma (ex: violent arrest situations, difficult experiences testifying against abuser at trial, police brutality, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
24. Seen someone who was dead, or dying, or watched or heard them being killed (in real life not on T.V. or in a movie, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
25. Natural and/or man-made disaster (ex: a hurricane, earthquake, flood, tornado, fire, train crash, building collapse, pandemic, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
26. Animal cruelty (ex: abuse or threats to pet in attempts to create fear or manipulate)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
		Does not apply <input type="checkbox"/>			
27. Other (ex: anything really scary or very upsetting that occurred that is not included above or any other experiences that were not covered)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B				
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
Total lived victimizations by age group:					

Part B: Symptoms

For each symptom circle "Y" for yes or "N" for no in the boxes to the right as applicable for the different stages of the client's life (Child and Teen, Adult, In the last year, and Current Symptom). In addition to "Y" and "N" user may circle other possible responses which include "A" for the **client did not respond** to the question; "B" for the **user did not ask** due to time constraints or other limitations; and "C" for the user did not ask since it was **not appropriate to ask**. When marking a symptom as a "Current Symptom" and "In the last year," please also mark the respective time period that it would fall under (Child and Teen OR Adult). Answers should be from the *client's perspective*. If the user has additional input or thoughts, particularly around minimizing, this should be included in the "Notes" section. The number of symptoms for "In the last year" and "Current Symptoms" are calculated and should assist in guiding service delivery.

		Child and Teen (0-17)	Adult (18+)	In the last year	Current Symptom	Notes
1. Experiencing pain and/or physical symptom(s) that have not been diagnosed or are resistant to treatment	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
2. Suicide attempt, discussion, or thoughts of suicide	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
3. Self-harming behavior(s) (ex: cutting, eating disorder including overeating, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
4. Health-risk behavior(s) (ex: excessive use of drugs/alcohol, sharing needles, unprotected sex with multiple partners, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
5. Repeated disturbing memories, thoughts, or images of a stressful experience	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
6. Avoidance (ex: avoiding places, people or other stimuli associated with past trauma, feelings, or physical sensations that remind you of the trauma, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
7. Cut off (ex: feeling distant or isolated)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
8. Irritable/angry (ex: feeling irritable, having angry outbursts, or rage)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	

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9. Attention/concentration difficulties (ex: easily distracted/inattentive)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
10. Sleep disturbances (ex: night terrors, sleeplessness, excessive sleepiness, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
11. Anxiety (ex: overly tense, worried, or stressed to the point of withdrawal from activities, experiencing panic attacks, or needing excessive reassurances)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
12. Hypervigilance (ex: jumpy, startles easily, overly aware or concerned about potential dangers, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
13. Aggressive or violent behaviors, even if done so unintentionally or unexpectedly (ex: physically or verbally aggressive, destroys property, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
14. Impulsivity (sudden, strong, even irrational urge to engage in behavior without considering consequences first) (ex: stealing, truancy, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
15. Sadness (apathy/despair)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
16. Low self-esteem (ex: I am bad, there is something seriously wrong with me, self-blame for the experience, etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
17. Numbing, dissociating (ex: limited emotional range, avoiding thinking or talking about the future or goal setting, "feeling flat," etc.)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
18. Other (ex: any changes in behavior, physical well being, or mood that have occurred since the incident(s) that are not included above)	Client did not respond = A	Y N	Y N	Y N	Y N	
	User did not ask = B					
	Not appropriate to ask = C	A B C	A B C	A B C	A B C	
Symptoms Present In the last year and Current Symptoms:						