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Measure: Clinician-Rated Severity of Oppositional Defiant Disorder

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CLINICIAN-RATED SEVERITY OF OPPOSITIONAL DEFIANT DISORDER

Name: _____ Age: _____ Sex: Male Female Date: _____

Instructions:
 This clinician-rated severity measure is used for the assessment of the presence and severity of any OPPOSITIONAL DEFIANT DISORDER symptoms.

 Based on all the information you have on the individual receiving care and using your clinical judgment, please rate (✓) the presence and severity of the oppositional defiant problems as experienced by the individual **in the past seven (7) days**.

	Level 0	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Rate the level or severity of the OPPOSITIONAL DEFIANT problems that are present for this individual.	<input type="checkbox"/> None (No oppositional defiant symptoms)	<input type="checkbox"/> Mild (Symptoms are confined to only one setting [e.g., at home, at school, at work, with peers])	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate (Some symptoms are present in at least two settings)	<input type="checkbox"/> Severe (Some symptoms are present in three or more settings)

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Instructions to Clinicians

The Clinician-Rated Severity of Oppositional Defiant Disorder assesses the severity of the OPPOSITIONAL DEFIANT symptoms for the individual based on their pervasiveness across settings. The measure is intended to capture meaningful variation in the severity of symptoms, which may help with treatment planning and prognostic decision-making. The measure is completed by the clinician at the time of the clinical assessment. The clinician is asked to rate the severity of oppositional defiant problems as experienced by the individual in the past seven days.

Scoring and Interpretation

The Clinician-Rated Severity of Oppositional Defiant Disorder is rated on a 4-point scale (Level 0=None; 1=Mild; 2=Moderate; and 3=Severe). The clinician is asked to review all available information for the individual and, based on his or her clinical judgment, select (✓) the level that most accurately describes the severity of the individual's condition.

Frequency of Use

To track changes in the individual's symptom severity over time, the measure may be completed at regular intervals as clinically indicated, depending on the stability of the individual's symptoms and treatment status. Consistently high scores on a particular domain may indicate significant and problematic areas for the individual that might warrant further assessment, treatment, and follow-up. Your clinical judgment should guide your decision.