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C DIS-IV: COMPUTERIZED DIAGNOSTIC INTERVIEW SCHEDULE VERSION IV

THE STANDARD



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C DIS-IV: PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS AND CAPABILITIES

Description

The Computerized Diagnostic Interview Schedule, Version IV (C DIS-IV) is a fully structured questionnaire designed to ascertain the presence or absence of major psychiatric disorders as outlined in the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, 4th Edition (DSM IV)*.

Like the first version developed for the Epidemiologic Catchment Area Studies (ECA) in 1980, the C DIS-IV attempts to mimic a clinical interview by using questions to determine whether psychiatric symptoms are clinically significant and not explained by medical conditions or substance use.

Psychometric Properties

Psychometric properties of the C DIS-IV have been determined with test-retest studies, test-comparison studies, longitudinal studies and factor analytic studies.

Characteristics of the C DIS-IV

- Offers a lifetime history of symptoms
- Assesses onset and recency of each disorder
- Can be administered by trained staff—whether clinician or non-clinician
- Training manuals allow for trained staff to train others
- Questions are acceptable to both patients and non-patients
- Menu driven, so some or all disorders can be selected

DSM-IV Diagnoses Covered

- Somatization/Pain
- Specific Phobia/Social Phobia/Agoraphobia/Panic Disorders
- Generalized Anxiety Disorder
- Posttraumatic Stress Disorder
- Depression/Dysthymia Disorder
- Mania/Hypomania Disorders
- Schizophrenia/Schizophreniform/Schizoaffective Disorders
- Obsessive Compulsive Disorder
- Anorexia Nervosa/Bulimia Disorders
- Attention Deficit Disorder
- Separation Anxiety Disorder
- Oppositional Disorder
- Conduct Disorder
- Antisocial Personality Disorder
- Nicotine Dependence
- Abuse and Dependence (Alcohol, Amphetamines, Cannabis, Cocaine, Hallucinogens, Opioids, PCP, Sedatives, Inhalants, Club Drugs)
- Pathological Gambling
- Dementia

System/Program Requirements

- Windows 2000/XP or later
- 15 MB of hard drive space
- Full Mode: SAS 8.0 or higher (not required for Screener)

Services

- Demonstration version available
- 4-day training course (Required)
- Support services available (Free for 90 days after training, available for purchase after that.)

Benefits

- Completely computerized, reducing errors and facilitating administration
- Good reliability and validity
- Responsive user support team
- Cost-efficient
- Full and screener mode available for all disorders
- Immediate diagnostic report available with screener version
- Fully tested computer algorithms given to score disorders, evaluate positive symptoms, co-morbidity and onset and recency of each disorder