# Columbia Suicide University Severity Rating Scale (C-SSRS)

Screening Version - Recent Episode

### **APPLICANT DETAILS**

| Full Name:                |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| Date of Birth:            |  |
| Address:                  |  |
| Contact Number:           |  |
| Emergency Contact Name:   |  |
| Emergency Contact Number: |  |
| Date of Assessment:       |  |

## SUICIDE IDEATION DEFINITIONS AND PROMPTS

#### **Past Month**

| Questions   | YES | NO |
|---|-----|----|
| 1. Have you wished you were dead or wished you could go to sleep and not wake up? |     |    |
| 2. Have you actually had any thoughts about taking your own life?                 |     |    |

If YES to question 2, ask questions 3, 4, 5, and 6. If NO to question 2, go directly to question 6.

| Questions   | YES | NO |
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| <ol> <li>Have you been thinking about how you might do this? (E.g. "I<br/>thought about taking an overdose but I never made a specific plan<br/>as to when, where or how I would actually do itand I would<br/>never go through with it.")</li> </ol> |     |    |
| <ol> <li>Have you had these thoughts and had some intention of acting on<br/>them? (As opposed to "I have the thoughts but I definitely will not<br/>do anything about them.")</li> </ol>   |     |    |

| 3. Have you started to work out or worked out the details of how to<br>take your own life? Do you intend to carry out this plan?   |  |
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| 4. Have you ever done anything, started to do anything, or prepared<br>to do anything to end your life? (Examples: Collected pills,<br>obtained a gun, gave away valuables, wrote a will or suicide note,<br>took out pills but didn't swallow any, held a gun but changed your<br>mind or it was grabbed from your hand, went to the roof but didn't<br>jump; or actually took pills, tried to shoot yourself, cut yourself,<br>tried to hang yourself, etc.) |  |
| Was the act in question 6 within the past three months?  |  |

#### **Risk Assessment:**

| Low Risk | Moderate Risk | High Risk |
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| Х        | XX            | XXX       |

# NOTES

Use this space to record any significant observations, comments, or other relevant information regarding the applicant's responses or demeanor during the assessment.

Please note that this is a very sensitive and serious assessment. This tool should be used by trained mental health professionals only and any person found at risk should be provided with immediate assistance and treatment.