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## ADULT LIFE HISTORY QUESTIONNAIRE

The purpose of this questionnaire is to obtain a comprehensive picture of your background. In scientific work, records are necessary since they permit a more thorough dealing with one's problems. By completing these questions as fully and as accurately as you can, you will facilitate your therapeutic program.

It is understandable that you might be concerned about what happens to the information about you because much or all of this information is highly personal. Case records are strictly confidential. No outsider is permitted to see your case record without your written permission.

If you do not desire to answer any specific question, merely write, "Do not care to answer."

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please sign and date on the last page.*

### **Physical Health Issues**

(a) Whom have you previously consulted about your present problem(s)?

\_\_\_\_\_

(b) Name(s) of physician(s) and telephone number(s). List all seen for the last 5 years.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

(c) List the last physician you saw, the date, and the reason:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Names of medications and dosage. List below, for what problem, and how they work.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Dose</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>How Long</u>	<u>Effectiveness</u>
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Names other medications have you taken previously, for what problem, and how well they worked.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Dose</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>How Long</u>	<u>Effectiveness</u>
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(e) Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

(f) Mother's condition during pregnancy with you (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

(g) Check any of the following that applied during your childhood:

\_\_\_ Night terrors \_\_\_ Sleepwalking \_\_\_ Nail biting \_\_\_ Fears \_\_\_ Stammering

\_\_\_ Unhappy childhood \_\_\_ Bedwetting \_\_\_ Thumbsucking \_\_\_ Others (list below):

Others: \_\_\_\_\_

(h) Health during childhood – list illnesses: \_\_\_\_\_

(i) Health during adolescence – list illnesses: \_\_\_\_\_

(j) Current Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

(k) Any surgeries? If yes, list below and age at the time:

Surgery: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

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(l) Allergies or sensitivities to medications or substances? If yes, list below:

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(m) Any accidents? If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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(n) Any history of witnessed or experienced trauma including abuse, neglect, violence or sexual assault?  Yes  No If yes, please explain:

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(o) Adjustment to any disorders? If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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(p) Nutrition – describe daily eating habits (i.e., when you eat, type of food):

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(q) Put x next to any of the following that apply to you:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> palpitations                   | <input type="checkbox"/> bad conditions at home     | <input type="checkbox"/> conflict      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> excessive sweating             | <input type="checkbox"/> shy with people            | <input type="checkbox"/> overambitious |
| <input type="checkbox"/> hypoglycemia (low blood sugar) | <input type="checkbox"/> feels tense                | <input type="checkbox"/> depressed     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> bowel disturbances             | <input type="checkbox"/> lonely                     | <input type="checkbox"/> nightmares    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fainting spells                | <input type="checkbox"/> take sedative              | <input type="checkbox"/> tremors       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> allergies                      | <input type="checkbox"/> unable to have a good time | <input type="checkbox"/> anxiety       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> can't keep a job               | <input type="checkbox"/> inferiority feelings       | <input type="checkbox"/> anger         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> can't make friends             | <input type="checkbox"/> financial problems         |  |

(r) Are you currently pregnant:  Yes  No

If yes, are you receiving prenatal care?  Yes  No

Others: List additional problems or difficulties here: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Risk Factors for Suicide and Prevention**

**Individual Risk Factors**

	<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>
Mental health problems including depression, bipolar disorder, and anxiety disorders	Yes	No
Alcohol and other substance use problems	Yes	No
Loss (due to death, relationship, job, or status)	Yes	No
Poor impulse control	Yes	No
Feelings of hopelessness, powerlessness, or desperation	Yes	No
History of trauma or abuse (e.g. physical, mental, or sexual)	Yes	No
Prior suicide attempt	Yes	No
Fascination with death and violence	Yes	No
History of bullying or interpersonal violence	Yes	No
Confusion or conflict about sexual orientation/identity	Yes	No
Compulsive, extreme perfectionism	Yes	No

**Family Risk Factors**

	<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>
Family History of suicide	Yes	No
Depressed and/or suicidal parents	Yes	No
Alcoholic and/or drug addicted parents	Yes	No
Changes in family structure (e.g. death, divorce, remarriage, frequent Moves/relocation)	Yes	No
Financial Difficulties	Yes	No

**Community Risk Factors**

	<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>
Access to lethal means (e.g. firearms or other lethal means)	Yes	No
Stigma associated with help-seeking	Yes	No
Lack of access to helping services	Yes	No
Loss of family, friends, or idols to suicide	Yes	No
Anniversary of someone else's suicide or other death	Yes	No
Incarceration or loss of freedom; trouble with the law	Yes	No

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**Mental and Emotional Status**

(a) Underline any of the following words which apply to you:

accepted by others - affectionate - aggressive - apathetic - assertive - careless - confident -  
confused - cooperative - demanding - dependent - determined - dependable - distrustful - fearful -  
forgetful - forgiving - good-natured - hopeful - impulsive - independent - hopeless - intolerant -  
irresponsible - irritable - intelligent - likeable - organized - outgoing - patient - rejected -  
worthwhile - resentful - self-centered - sensitive to others - submissive - tolerant - trusting - unloved  
- withdrawn - worthless

Others you may wish to add: \_\_\_\_\_

(b) List your 5 main fears: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Were you ever bullied or severely teased? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Do you make friends easily? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

(e) Do you keep them? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate how each of the following symptoms or problems are affecting you. Please use this scale for each item and circle the appropriate number:

**1 = not at all   2 = just a little   3 = about half the time   4 = much of the time   5 = all the time**

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
I enjoy being with friends	1	2	3	4	5
I can speak up for myself with others	1	2	3	4	5
I feel I can solve problems with others	1	2	3	4	5
I get a lot of support from my family	1	2	3	4	5
I am an important part of my family	1	2	3	4	5
I can say "no" to others when I need to	1	2	3	4	5
I avoid any conflicts with others	1	2	3	4	5
I need to be in control in most situations	1	2	3	4	5
I can become aggressive with others	1	2	3	4	5
I like the work that I do	1	2	3	4	5
I can manage my life about as well as anybody else	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>

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Cognitive-Emotional Indicators	<u><b>1</b></u>	<u><b>2</b></u>	<u><b>3</b></u>	<u><b>4</b></u>	<u><b>5</b></u>
Racing thoughts	1	2	3	4	5
Concentration problems	1	2	3	4	5
Memory problems	1	2	3	4	5
Restless	1	2	3	4	5
Can't make decisions	1	2	3	4	5
Suicidal thoughts	1	2	3	4	5
Fearful	1	2	3	4	5
Worrying	1	2	3	4	5
Panicky feelings	1	2	3	4	5
Crying easily or often	1	2	3	4	5
Feeling sad	1	2	3	4	5
Easily irritated	1	2	3	4	5
Loss of interest in other people	1	2	3	4	5
Fear of the worst happening	1	2	3	4	5
Unable to relax	1	2	3	4	5
Can't get things done	1	2	3	4	5
Loss of interest in my usual activities	1	2	3	4	5
Unable to have a good time	1	2	3	4	5

Physical-Somatic Indicators	<u><b>1</b></u>	<u><b>2</b></u>	<u><b>3</b></u>	<u><b>4</b></u>	<u><b>5</b></u>
Headaches	1	2	3	4	5
Allergies	1	2	3	4	5
Dizziness	1	2	3	4	5
Neck or back pain	1	2	3	4	5
Fatigue	1	2	3	4	5
Stomach problems	1	2	3	4	5
Sexual problems	1	2	3	4	5
Feeling faint	1	2	3	4	5
Sleep disturbance (unable to sleep, frequent waking, excessive sleeping)	1	2	3	4	5
Appetite problems (lack of appetite, excessive eating)	1	2	3	4	5
Substance abuse	1	2	3	4	5
Frequent use of aspirin or other painkillers	1	2	3	4	5

***Current Lifestyle***

- (a) With whom and where do you live? \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) Present interests, hobbies, and activities \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) How is your free time occupied? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Occupational Data**

- (a) Describe current job \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) Describe types of job held in the past \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) Does your current work satisfy you? \_\_\_\_\_ If not, in what ways are you dissatisfied?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (d) What do you earn? \_\_\_\_\_
- (e) How much does it cost you to live? \_\_\_\_\_
- (f) Career Ambitions – Past: \_\_\_\_\_ Present: \_\_\_\_\_

**Education**

- (a) What was the last grade of school you completed? \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) Scholastic Abilities – Strengths: \_\_\_\_\_ Weaknesses: \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) Problems with reading and/or writing? If yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_

**Sex Information**

- (a) Parental attitudes toward sex (i.e., was there sex instruction or discussion in the home?)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (b) When and how did you arrive at your first knowledge of sex?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (c) When did you first become aware of your own sexual impulses? \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) Were you ever sexually molested as a child? \_\_\_\_\_
- (e) Did you ever experience any anxiety or guilt feelings arising out of sex or masturbation? \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_
- (f) Any relevant details regarding your first or subsequent sexual experience \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (g) Provide information about any significant heterosexual and/or homosexual reactions:  
\_\_\_\_\_

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- (h) What is your sexual orientation? \_\_\_\_\_
- (i) Is your present sex life satisfactory? If not, explain \_\_\_\_\_
- (j) Are you sexually inhibited in any way? \_\_\_\_\_

**Menstrual History**

- (a) Age at first period: \_\_\_\_\_  
Were you informed or did it come as a shock? \_\_\_\_\_  
Are you regular? \_\_\_\_\_ Duration \_\_\_\_\_ Do you have pain? \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of last period \_\_\_\_\_ Do your periods affect your moods? \_\_\_\_\_

**Marital History**

- (a) How long did you know your marriage partner before engagement? \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) How long have you been married? \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) Spouse's age \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) Spouse's occupation \_\_\_\_\_
- (e) Personality of spouse (in your own words) \_\_\_\_\_
- (f) List areas of compatibility \_\_\_\_\_
- (g) List areas of incompatibility \_\_\_\_\_
- (h) How do you get along with your in-laws (including brothers- and sisters-in-law)? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (i) How many children do you have? \_\_\_\_\_
- (j) Do any of your children present special problems? \_\_\_\_\_
- (k) Any relevant details regarding miscarriages or abortions? \_\_\_\_\_
- (l) Comments about any previous marriage(s) and brief details \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (m) Give sex and age of children by your previous marriage \_\_\_\_\_
- (n) Give sex and age of your partner's children by previous marriage \_\_\_\_\_



**Family Data**

- (a) Father living or deceased? \_\_\_\_\_ If deceased, your age at time of his death \_\_\_\_\_  
Cause of death \_\_\_\_\_ If alive, father's present age \_\_\_\_\_  
His occupation \_\_\_\_\_ His health \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) Mother living or deceased? \_\_\_\_\_ If deceased, your age at time of her death \_\_\_\_\_  
Cause of death \_\_\_\_\_ If alive, mother's present age \_\_\_\_\_  
Her occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Her health \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) Siblings: Number of brothers \_\_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of sisters \_\_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) Give a description of your father's personality and his attitude toward you (past and present):  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (e) Give a description of your mother's personality and her attitude toward you (past and present):  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (f) In what ways were you punished as a child by your father? \_\_\_\_\_  
In what ways were you punished as a child by your mother? \_\_\_\_\_
- (g) Give an impression of your home atmosphere (i.e., the home in which you grew up). Mention state of compatibility between parents and children.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (h) Were you able to confide in one or both of your parents? \_\_\_\_\_
- (i) Did one or both of your parents understand you? \_\_\_\_\_
- (j) Basically, did you feel loved and respected by your parents? \_\_\_\_\_
- (k) If you have a stepparent, give your age when parent remarried \_\_\_\_\_
- (l) If you were not brought up by your parents, who did bring you up and between what years?  
\_\_\_\_\_

(m) Has anyone (parents, relatives, friends) ever interfered in your marriage, occupation, etc.?  
\_\_\_\_\_

(n) Who are the most important people in your life? \_\_\_\_\_

(o) Does any member of your family suffer from alcoholism or anything which can be considered a  
“mental disorder”? If so, explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(p) Have you ever lost control (i.e., temper, crying, or aggression by hitting)? If so, describe:  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Religious Activity**

Did/do you attend church and are you active?

(a) In childhood? \_\_\_\_\_ (b) As an adult? \_\_\_\_\_

**Military History**

(a) Have you ever been in a branch of the armed services? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, which one \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Dates of service and discharge \_\_\_\_\_

**Legal Status**

Have you ever been arrested? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, nature of circumstances and the disposition:  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Use of Substances**

(a) Please indicate the type and amount of substances you use \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Please indicate any course of treatment undertaken for use of substances \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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(b) Does any family member currently or in the past suffer from any type of substance abuse problem? If so, explain \_\_\_\_\_

In your own words, what are your personal strengths, needs, abilities, and/or interests and preferences?

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**Complimentary health approaches:** What else have you tried before to help yourself reduce your problems/concerns?

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**Goals**

(a) Please list three main changes you hope to make with the assistance of therapy:

(1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) What is there about your present behavior that you would like to change?

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(c) What feelings do you wish to alter (i.e., increase or decrease)?

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**Resources and involvement of client and others:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Possible referrals to other community services:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Transition/Discharge Plan:**

- a. Criteria (client-specific behaviors): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- b. Estimated date of discharge (M/Y): \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Aftercare plan: \_\_\_\_\_

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Client signature

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Therapist signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

5/19  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
Name