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Purpose

 The CBCL 6-18 is a 120-item parent-report checklist that assesses the most frequent emotional and behavioral problems of children

Administration

- Completed by parent/care provider of clients ages 6-18 years
- Parent/care provider should be encouraged to answer every item



CBCL 6-18 Quick Guide

Child Behavior Checklist for Ages 6-18

Completed by parents/care providers of children ages 6-18 years, during the first and last EBP treatment sessions, and every 6 months for EBPs exceeding 6 months, for the following practices:

- Caring for Our Families (CFOF) for treatment cycles started before 12/1/12
- Loving Intervention Family Enrichment (LIFE) for treatment cycles started before 12/1/12

Clinical Utility

- Measuring initial behavior severity
- Tracking changes in emotional, acting out or behavior problems over the course of treatment
- Identifying behaviors/problems interfering with client's functioning
- Treatment planning

Scoring Information

Parents are asked to rate their child for how true each item is now or within the past 6 months using the following:

- 0 = not true
- 1 = somewhat or sometimes true
- 2 = very true or often true
 - The CBCL 6-18 provides raw scores, T scores and percentiles for 3 competence scales (Activities, Social, School), a Total Competence score, 8 scale scores, and Internalizing, Externalizing, and Total Problems scores
 - Scales
 - Anxious/Depressed
 - Withdrawn/Depressed
 - Somatic Complaints
 - Social Problems
 - Thought Problems
 - Attention Problems
 - Rule-Breaking Behavior
 - Aggressive Behavior
 - Scales Related to DSM-IV Disorders
 - Affective Problems
 - Anxiety Problems
 - Somatic Problems
 - Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Problems
 - Oppositional Defiant Problems
 - Conduct Problems
 - Total Problems Score
 - Is derived from the following scales:
 - Activities Scale
 - Social Scale
 - School Scale
 - A higher score reflects parent's report of greater presence and severity of symptoms in the child or youth