The Guided Interview for LOCUS

HPI	Associated Dimension(s)
1) Why did you come in for help (evaluation) today?	I, VI
2) Has anything happened to cause this problem (to get worse)?	IV-A
3) What kind of distress has this caused you? How much?	I
4) What other problems do you have at this time?	III
5) How do you think that these problems are related to each other?	III, IV
6) Have you had any thoughts of hurting or killing yourself or anyone else recently? *If yes, ask 6a*	I
6a) Do you have any intentions of following through on those thoughts or have you made any plans to do so? *If yes, ask 6b*	I
6b) What stops you from following through on those plans? *If nothing or very, little ask 6c*	I
6c) Do you think you could stop yourself from trying if people were around to help you? *If no, ask 6d*	I
6d) What makes you feel that you must do this now?	I
7) Has your present situation caused you to behave in any way that has been dangerous, either for yourself or for someone else? *If yes, ask 7a*	I
7a) What kind of behavior was it or what did you do?	I
8) Has substance use and intoxication ever caused you to behave in a way that was dangerous or harmful to others or to yourself? *If yes, ask 8a*	I
8a) What kind of behavior was that?	I
9) Have you experienced any problems in your relationship with others recently as a result of this problem? *If yes, ask 9a and 9b*	II
9a) What kind of problems have you had?	II
9b) Have you ever become violent or abusive?	I, II

10) Have you been able to take care of yourself recently as well as you have in the past? *If yes, ask 10a*	II
10a) In what way has it changed?	II
11) Have you been able to take care of your responsibilities as well as usual? *If yes, ask 11a*	II
11a) What kind of difficulties have you had?	II
12) Have there been any problems with your sleep, appetite, energy level or sexual activity? *If yes, ask 12a*	II
12a) How severe have these problems been? (weight loss?, sleep pattern?, activity?)	II
13) Do you have any thoughts about what would be most helpful to you right now?	V, VI

Past Psych Hx.

14) Have you ever had any mental health problems in the past? *(may give examples) If yes, ask 14a and 14b*	II, III
14a) What kind?	II, III
14b) Did you ever get any treatment for those problems? *If yes, ask 14b1 - 14b6*	V
14b1) What kind of treatment did you get? *(Repeat as needed)*	V
14b2) Did you think this treatment was helpful? If yes, why?	V, VI
14b3) Did others feel that the treatment was helpful? Explain.	V, VI
14b4) Did you get along well with your mental health workers?	IV-B, V, VI
14b5) Did you usually follow their instructions/requests pretty closely? *If no, ask 14b5a*	VI
14b5a) Was there any reason why you didn't?	VI

14b6) Have there been times that you have done well on your own? Explain.	V
14c) What is the longest period of time during which you have been free of these problems?	V
14d) Was there anything that you would say helped you during that period?	IV-B, V
14e) Have you ever thought about, or actually attempted suicide in the past? *If yes, ask 14e1 and 14e2*	I
14e1) Please explain. Do you think you really wished to die?	I
14e2) How frequently has that been a problem?	I
14f) Have you ever thought about, or actually engaged in violence toward others in the past? *If yes, ask 14f1 and 14f2*	I
14f1) Please explain. Did you really want to see that person or persons harmed or suffering?	I
14f2) How frequently has that occurred?	I

Medical History

15) Do you have any current or past medical problems? *If yes, ask 15a - 15d*	III
15a) What kind?	III
15b) Do you think these problems affect your (primary) disorder? How?	III
15c) Do you think your (primary) disorder affects this problem?	III
15d) Are you receiving any treatment for these problems? *If yes, ask 15d1 and 15d2*	III, V
15d1) What kind?	III, V
15d2) Are you usually able to follow the suggestions of your doctor?	VI

Substance Use History

16) Have you ever had any problems with substance or alcohol use? *If no, ask 16a / If yes, go to 16b*	III
16a) Do you use substances at all? If so, how?	III
16b) What substances do you use?	III
16c) How much of these substances do you use? How often?	III
16d) Why do you say that using is a problem for you?	I, II, III
16e) Have you ever been physically dependent on a substance? *If yes, ask 16e1 and 16e2*	III
16e1) What kind of symptoms do you have when that substance is not available?	III
16e2) Have you ever become seriously ill during withdrawal? Explain.	III
16f) What is the longest period of time during which you have been free of these problems?	V
16g) Was there anything that you would say helped you during that period?	IV-B
16h) Have you ever had any treatment for these substance use problems? *If yes, ask 16h1 - 16h4*	V
16h1) What kinds of treatment have you had?	V
16h2) Were any of these treatment experiences helpful?	V, VI
16h3) Did others feel that the treatment helped? Explain.	V, VI
16h4) Have there been times when you have done well on your own? Explain.	V
16i) Are substances available to you where you are living now? How easily?	IV-A

16j) Do you think that treatment providers are really interested in helping?	VI
16k) Do you think that there are things that you could/should do differently to improve your situation?	VI
16l) Do you call your family or case worker when things are going badly for you?	V

Social History

17) Are there any difficulties in your personal life now which you have not mentioned so far? *If yes, ask 17a - 17h*	IV-A
17a) What kind of difficulties have you had? *If not mentioned above, ask:*	IV-A
17b) Do you have any problems with people who are important in your life? Are there persons who are important to you?	IV-B
17c) Have your circumstances changed in any important way recently?	IV-A
17d) Have you lost anyone or anything important to you recently?	IV-A
17e) Have you had any recent, significant concerns about your well being?	IV-A
17f) Do you feel safe where you are living?	IV-A
17g) Do you have enough income to take care of your needs?	IV-A
17h) Do you feel overwhelmed, as if you can't do all you must do?	IV-A
18) Are there persons in your life who help you if you need them to? *If yes, ask 18a*	IV-B
18a) Who are they? How much help does each one give?	IV-B
18b) Do you have any caseworkers who you can rely on?	IV-B
18c) Do you actually ask for help when things are not going well?	IV-B, V