PhenX Measure: Suicidal Intent of Suicide Attempts (#640300)
PhenX Protocol: Suicidal Intent of Suicide Attempts (#640301)

Date of Interview/Examination (MM/DD/YYYY): _____________________

SUICIDE INTENT SCALE

(For Attempters)

Instructions: Interview the patient about his/her most recent suicide attempt to enable a reliable coding of the objective circumstances of the attempt, and the patient's perceptions of the attempt. The total score is computed by summing items 1-15. If an item is "Not applicable" code it “-8." Do not include "-8's" when calculating the total score.

I. Objective Circumstances Related to Suicide Attempt

1. Isolation
   0 [ ] Somebody present
   1 [ ] Somebody nearby, or in visual or vocal contact
   2 [ ] No one nearby or in visual or vocal contact

2. Timing
   0 [ ] Intervention is probable
   1 [ ] Intervention is not likely
   2 [ ] Intervention in highly unlikely

3. Precautions against Discovery/Intervention
   0 [ ] No precautions
   1 [ ] Passive precautions (avoiding others but doing nothing to prevent intervention; alone in room with unlocked door)
   2 [ ] Active precautions (locked door)

4. Acting to Get Help During/After Attempt
   0 [ ] Notified potential helper regarding attempt
1 [] Contacted but did not specifically notify potential helper regarding attempt
2 [] Did not contact or notify potential helper

5. Final Acts in Anticipation of Death (e.g., will, gifts, insurance)
   0 [] None
   1 [] Thought about or made some arrangements
   2 [] Made definite plans or completed arrangements

6. Active Preparation for Attempt
   0 [] None
   1 [] Minimal to moderate
   2 [] Extensive

7. Suicide Note
   0 [] Absence of note
   1 [] Note written, but torn up; note thought about
   2 [] Presence of note

8. Overt Communication of Intent Before the Attempt
   0 [] None
   1 [] Equivocal communication
   2 [] Unequivocal communication

II. Self-Report

9. Alleged Purpose of Attempt
   0 [] To manipulate environment, get attention, revenge
   1 [] Components of "0" and "2"
   2 [] To escape, surcease, solve problems
10. Expectations of Fatality
0 [] Thought that death was unlikely
1 [] Thought that death was possible but not probable
2 [] Thought that death was probable or certain

11. Conception of Method's Lethality
0 [] Did less to self than he thought would be lethal
1 [] Wasn't sure if what he did would be lethal
2 [] Equaled or exceeded what he thought would be lethal

12. Seriousness of Attempt
0 [] Did not seriously attempt to end life
1 [] Uncertain about seriousness to end life
2 [] Seriously attempted to end life

13. Attitude Toward Living/Dying
0 [] Did not want to die
1 [] Components of "0" and "2"
2 [] Wanted to die

14. Conception of Medical Rescuability
0 [] Thought that death would be unlikely if he received medical attention
1 [] Was uncertain whether death could be averted by medical attention
2 [] Was certain of death even if he received medical attention

15. Degree of Premeditation
0 [] None; Impulsive
1 [] Suicide contemplated for three hours or less prior to attempt
2 [] Suicide contemplated for more than three hours prior to attempt
III. Other Aspects (Not Included in Total Score)

16. Reaction to Attempt
0 [ ] Sorry about attempt; feels foolish, ashamed (circle which one)
1 [ ] Accepts both attempt and its failure
2 [ ] Regrets failure of attempt

17. Visualization of Death
0 [ ] Life-after-death, reunion with decedents
1 [ ] Never ending sleep, darkness, end-of-things
2 [ ] No conceptions of, or thoughts about death

18. Number of Previous Attempts
0 [ ] None
1 [ ] One or two
2 [ ] Three or more

19. Relationship between Alcohol Intake and Attempt
0 [ ] Some alcohol intake prior to but not related to attempt, reportedly not enough to impair judgment, reality testing
1 [ ] Enough alcohol intake to impair judgment, reality testing and diminish responsibility/impulse control
2 [ ] Intentional intake of alcohol in order to facilitate implementation of suicide attempt

20. Relationship between Drug Intake and Attempt (narcotics, hallucinogens, etc. drug is not the method used to suicide)
0 [ ] Some drug intake prior to but not related to attempt, reportedly not enough to impair judgment, reality testing
1 [ ] Enough drug intake to impair judgment, identity testing and diminish responsibility/impulse control
2 [ ] Intentional drug intake in order to facilitate implementation of suicide attempt