

Suicide Risk Screening: Why Consider the SBQ-R?

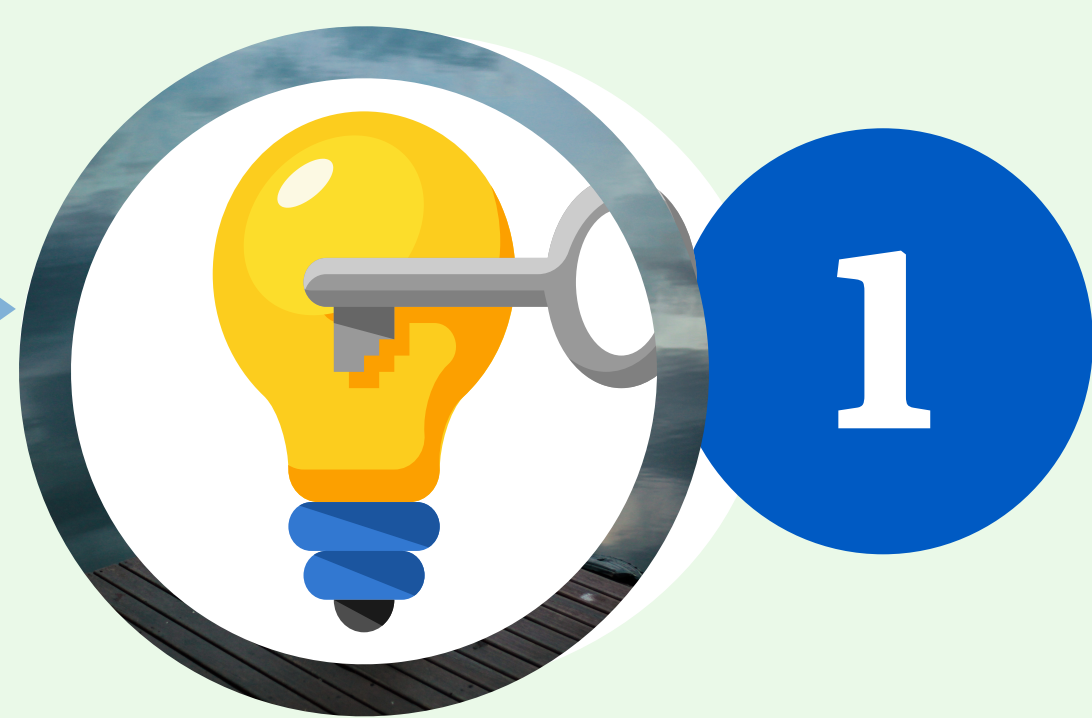
(Suicidal Behaviors Questionnaire - Revised)

We take all suicidal behavior and comments seriously. Screening youth at risk for suicidality can be an effective way of detecting and managing suicide risk.



Key Facts:

- Screening procedures help prevent students from “falling through the cracks”
- Procedures followed consistently and with fidelity ensure safety for students, communication with parents, and follow-up support



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Reasons the SBQ-R is Selected

- Research-based questionnaire
- Available in the public domain (free)
- Self-report instrument
- Brief and easy to administer
- Scores are used to identify risk factors and help professionals decide on next steps



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Common Language

Partnering with Agencies Creates Consistency and Expedited Response

- hospitals and medical facilities
- law enforcement
- emergency responders
- mental health services



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The 4 Questions on the SBQ-R Address:

1. Lifetime suicidal ideation and suicide attempts
2. Frequency of suicidal ideation
3. Threat of suicide behavior
4. Likelihood of suicidal behavior



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“One of the most important things you can do on this earth is to let people know they are not alone.” Shannon E. Alder