

Social Communication Questionnaire (SCQ)

This 40-item scale assesses the symptoms of PDD based on the best available diagnostic interview, the Autism Diagnostic Interview-Revised. It includes questions on reciprocal social interaction (e.g., social smiling, offering comfort to others), language and communication (e.g., use of conventional gestures, reciprocal conversation), and repetitive or stereotyped patterns of behavior (including circumscribed interests and unusual preoccupations). For each item, a score of 1 is given for the presence of the abnormal behavior and a score of 0 for its absence. Scores range from 0-39.

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