
Questions About Behavioral Function in Mental Illness (QABF-MI)

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Individual's Name: _____ Program/Unit: _____

Gender: M F Age: _____ Race: _____

Name of Interviewer: _____ Date: _____

Respondent: _____

Relationship to Individual: _____

Target Behavior and Definition: _____

Context of Target Behavior: _____

Administration Instructions: Interview a person who knows the individual the best. Have this person rate the individual in terms of how often the individual engages in the behavior using the following 5-point scale:

0 = does not apply 1 = never 2 = rarely 3 = sometimes 4 = often

		0	1	2	3	4
1	Engages in the behavior to get attention					
2	Engages in the behavior to get out of groups, medical appointments, leisure activities, or learning situations					
3	Engages in the behavior because it makes him/her feel good emotionally or physically (e.g., aggression, sexual behaviors)					
4	Engages in the behavior when he/she is in pain (e.g., headache, toothache)					
5	Engages in the behavior to get things and activities that he/she likes (e.g., cigarettes, sodas, snacks)					
6	Engages in the behavior to get into trouble so that he/she can get attention					
7	Engages in the behavior when asked to do something (e.g., get dressed, ADL's, work)					
8	Engages in the behavior even if he/she thinks that no one is watching him/her					
9	Engages in the behavior more frequently when he/she is physically sick					
10	Engages in the behavior when you take something or a privilege away from him/her					

11	Engages in the behavior to draw attention to him/her					
12	Engages in the behavior when he/she does not want to do something					
13	Engages in the behavior because he/she is bored					
14	Engages in the behavior when there is something physically wrong with him/her (e.g., arthritis)					
15	Engages in the behavior when you have something he/she wants					
16	Engages in the behavior to try to get a reaction from you					
17	Engages in the behavior to try to get people to leave him/her alone					
18	Engages in the behavior over and over again, regardless of what is going on around him/her (e.g., head banging, pacing)					
19	Engages in the behavior because he/she is physically uncomfortable					
20	Engages in the behavior when another person has something he/she wants					
21	Does he/she seem to be saying, "come see me" or "look at me" when engaging in the behavior?					
22	Does he/she seem to be saying, "leave me alone" or "stop asking me to do this" when engaging in the behavior?					
23	Does he/she seem to enjoy engaging in the behavior, even if no one is around?					
24	Does the behavior indicate to you that he/she is not physically well (e.g., stomach ache)?					
25	Does he/she seem to be saying, "give me that item" (e.g., cigarette, soda, snack) when engaging in the behavior?					

QABF-MI Summary Analysis

Scoring Instructions: Transfer the ratings from above to the analysis table below, and then sum each column. The column scores indicate the strength of each variable as the motivation for the target behavior. Higher scores indicate greater likelihood that the variable is a motivator for the target behavior. For further instructions, please refer to the Users Guide.

Attention	Escape	Non-Social	Physical	Tangible
1 =	2 =	3 =	4 =	5 =
6 =	7 =	8 =	9 =	10 =
11 =	12 =	13 =	14 =	15 =
16 =	17 =	18 =	19 =	20 =
21 =	22 =	23 =	24 =	25 =
T =	T =	T =	T =	T =