

DEPRESSIVE DISORDER DUE TO...*

[A General Medical Condition]

SUMMARY SCREENING CRITERIA* FOR: Name _____

A. A prominent and persistent disturbance in mood predominates in the clinical picture and is characterized by either (or both) of the following:

- (1) depressed mood or markedly diminished interest or pleasure in all, or almost all, activities
- (2) elevated, expansive, or irritable mood

B. There is evidence from the history, physical examination, or laboratory findings that the disturbance is the direct physiological consequence of a general medical condition.

C. The disturbance is not better accounted for by another mental disorder (e.g., Adjustment Disorder With Depressed Mood in response to the stress of having a general medical condition).

D. The disturbance does not occur exclusively during the course of a delirium.

E. The symptoms cause clinically significant distress or impairment in social, occupational, or other important areas of functioning.

Specify type:

With Depressive Features: if the predominant mood is depressed but the full criteria are not met for a Major Depressive Episode.

With Major Depressive-Like Episode: if the full criteria are met (except Criterion D) for a Major Depressive Episode.

With Manic Features: if the predominant mood is elevated, euphoric, or irritable

With Mixed Features: if the symptoms of both mania and depression are present but neither predominates.

CAREGIVING INTERVENTION:

Date _____

Referral for further assessment and therapy to:

[Screening Criteria presented by:]
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