

## Recommended Social-Emotional Screening Instruments

Developmental and social-emotional screening of young children (0-5 years of age) in Minnesota ([www.health.state.mn.us](http://www.health.state.mn.us)).

Tool	Ages and Stages Questionnaire: Social Emotional, 2nd Edition (ASQ: SE-2™) - 2015	Pediatric Symptom Checklist (PSC) – 1998; ongoing validity studies – refer to website
Purpose	“A highly reliable, parent-completed tool with a deep, exclusive focus on children’s social and emotional development”	“A brief screening questionnaire that is used by pediatricians and other health professionals to improve the recognition and treatment of psychosocial problems in children.”
Developmental Areas or Methods	Self-regulation, compliance, communication, adaptive behaviors, autonomy, affect, and interaction with people.	Screens for general psychosocial problems, including depression, anxiety, aggression, attention, impulsivity.
Age Span	1 to 72 months	4 through 16 years
Cultural, Ethnic, Linguistic Sensitivity	4th to 6th grade reading level Available in English and Spanish	5th to 6th grade reading level Available in English, Spanish, and Chinese, and many more
Sensitivity/Specificity	Sensitivity: 78-84% Specificity: 76-98%	Sensitivity: 88-92% Specificity: 68-99%
Reliability	Internal consistency: 0.84 Test-retest reliability: 0.89	Test-retest: 0.84-0.91
Practicality	10-15 minutes to complete 2-3 minutes to score	2-5 minutes if a parent completes; 9-12 minutes if an interview is needed. 2 minutes to score
Minimum Expertise for Screeners and Scorers	Can be scored by paraprofessional or support staff instructed by Professionals.	No special qualifications for scoring.
Online Screening	<a href="http://www.brookespublishing.com">ASQ Online (brookespublishing.com)</a>	<a href="http://www.massgeneral.org">PSC Online (www.massgeneral.org)</a>
Cost	Starter kit (English or Spanish) \$275.00 (Contact publisher for current cost)	Available online for free download
Publisher’s Website or Contact for Instrument	<a href="http://www.brookespublishing.com">Brookes Publishing (www.brookespublishing.com)</a>	<a href="http://www.massgeneral.org">Massachusetts General Hospital (www.massgeneral.org)</a>

## For more information

The Minnesota Interagency Developmental Screening Task Force is a partnership that determines criteria for review of developmental and social emotional screening instruments for recommendation/approval for use in Minnesota's public screening programs. The Task Force has representation from the Minnesota Departments of Human Services (DHS), Education (MDE), and Health (MDH), to allow for statewide coordination of screening efforts. Refer to [Developmental and Social-Emotional Screening of Young Children \(0-5 Years of Age\) in Minnesota \(www.health.state.mn.us\)](#).

For questions, more information, or to obtain this information in a different format, call the Minnesota Department of Health Maternal Child Health Section at 651-201-3650 or email [health.childteencheckups@state.mn.us](mailto:health.childteencheckups@state.mn.us).

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