

IMPACT OF BIPOLAR DISORDER IN A FAMILY SETTING

Likert-type scale ranging from a strongly agree at number 1 and strongly disagree at number 4. Ten of the items should be reverse set so that high total scores should always mean less adaptive family functioning after reversing the details that are negatively entered.

The CBQ (Conflict Behavior Questionnaire) measures family conflict. CBQ correlates 0.96 with sufficient internal consistency and discriminant validity. It is a measure of perceived communication-conflict among parents and children and taps both dissatisfaction with family member's behavior and evaluations of the interactions between family members. Unlike the FAD, the CBQ is widely used with families with both children and adolescents. Sample items would include "we get along with my child," "we seldom seem to agree" and "we always compromise in an argument with my child." The caregiver that will be more familiar with the target child should indicate whether each behavior occurs in their family with a yes or no answer. Six of the total items are reverse set to in accounting for the overall score where high scores indicate significant severity.

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A semi-structured diagnostic interview using the schedule of affective disorders and Schizophrenia for children needs to be used for diagnoses. All participants should participate in discussion with a well-trained research assistant where the plan for emotional disorders and schizophrenia for children of school going age would be implemented. The trained interviewer will cooperate with both the children and parents in resolving discrepancies, with the use of the best clinical judgments. The diagnoses of bipolar I and II, cyclothymia and bipolar that is otherwise not specified (NOS) would be made strictly under the criterion published in the DSM-IV (Koutra, et al, 2016). Comorbidity would be addressed through a hierarchy for grouping diagnoses a way that children diagnosed with a spectrum of BD would be grouped to the bipolar category. Similarly, DBD and ADHD categories would be formulated from cases with

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