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SCREENING FOR ADOLESCENT EATING
DISORDERS IN A SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH
CENTER USING THE SCOFF
QUESTIONNAIRE

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Eating Disorders

- Anorexia Nervosa
- Bulimia Nervosa
- Binge Eating Disorder
- Risk factors/food insecurity
- Impact

Screening

- Recommendations
- Barriers
- Tools

School-based health center

- Benefits
 - Improved overall health
 - Access to crucial primary care resources

Background & Significance

Methods

Quality Improvement

Theoretical Framework: Leavell & Clark's model of prevention

3 phases

Methods

1

Phase I: educational session with key stakeholders

- •Interprofessional collaboration
- •Translation of screening form
- Uploaded forms into student portal of EMR

2

Phase II: screening of adolescents

- Provided project summary
- Unique passwords generated to access student portal
- Data transferred to phase II data collection tool
- Referral

3

Phase III: data analysis

Descriptive statistics

Appendix A

SCOFF questionnaire

- 1) Do you make yourself Sick because you feel uncomfortably full?
- 2) Do you worry that you have lost Control over how much you eat?
- 3) Have you recently lost more than One stone (14 lb) in a 3-month period?
- 4) Do you believe yourself to be Fat when others say you are too thin?
- 5) Would you say that Food dominates your life?

Note: Morgan, J. F., Reid, F., & Lacey, J. H. (2000). The SCOFF questionnaire: A new screening tool for eating disorders. Western Journal of Medicine, 172(3), 164-165.



Data collection tools

English Screening Form

A. Demographic Information

Date:	
Age:	
Race:	
Sex:	

In the last 12 months, have you ever eaten less food than you should because there wasn't enough money for food? Yes / No

B. SCOFF Questionnaire

1)	Do you make yourself Sick because you feel uncomfortably full?	Yes / 1
2)	Do you worry that you have lost Control over how much you eat?	Yes / 1
3)	Have you recently lost more than One stone (14 lb) in a 3-month period?	Yes / 1
4)	Do you believe yourself to be Fat when others say you are too thin?	Yes / 1
5)	Would you say that Food dominates your life?	Yes /

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Phase II data collection tool

A. DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Date	
Age	
Race	
Sex	

In the last 12 months, have you ever eaten less food than you should because there we enough money for food? Y / N

B. SCOFF Questionnaire

Tool complete	Y / N
I	

i RESPONSES

KESFONSES		
Q1	Y/N/BLANK	
Q2	Y / N / BLANK	
Q3	Y/N/BLANK	
Q4	Y / N / BLANK	
Q5	Y / N / BLANK	

^{*}each "yes" answer = 1 point

ii. Total score: _____

C. DIAGNOSIS

IDC 10 code assigned to patient	Y / N
Referral to Social Work	Y / N

Results

96 adolescents screened

94 adolescents completed the screen

18 adolescents with (+) screen: ~19%

Most likely question combination: "No" to Q3, "Yes" to Q4

Least likely question combination: "Yes" to Q1, "Yes" to Q3

13 females, 5 males

5 (+) food insecurity

Clinical Implication

Screening is essential to halt long-term complications

- Fluid & electrolyte imbalance, cardiac abnormalities, altered menstrual cycles
- Obesity, increased risk of cancer, hypertension, polycystic ovary syndrome

Generalizability

Additional clinical investigation is needed

Primary care: single, brief screening tool

- Referral to mental health specialist
- Interdisciplinary team

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