

Early Childhood Inventory-4 (ECI-4)

The ECI-4 is a questionnaire designed to collect information from parents or educators about the behavior of young children (aged 3 to 6) with respect to various psychiatric disorders according to DSM-IV criteria. It allows rapid screening for symptoms related to behavioral disorders, anxiety disorders, autism spectrum disorders, mood disorders and other early-onset conditions.

Number of questions	108 questions
Estimated duration	15 minutes
Language	English
Original name	Early Childhood Inventory
Target audience	Children aged 3-6
Authors	Gadow, Sprafkin (2000)
Category	Anxiety, Autism spectrum, Childhood

Preview of the 108 questions

How often does the child show each of the following behaviors?

Has difficulty organizing tasks and activities

Never | Sometimes | Often | Very often

How often does the child show each of the following behaviors?

Is easily distracted by other things going on

Never | Sometimes | Often | Very often

How often does the child show each of the following behaviors?

Is forgetful in daily activities

Never | Sometimes | Often | Very often

How often does the child show each of the following behaviors?

Runs about or climbs on things when asked not to do so

Never | Sometimes | Often | Very often

How often does the child show each of the following behaviors?

Talks excessively

Never | Sometimes | Often | Very often

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Send your patient a link: they answer from their phone or computer, and you receive the scored results by email.

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Scoring & interpretation

Responses are rated on a frequency scale for each of the 108 items. Scores are then compared with the cutoffs defined for each disorder, based on DSM-IV criteria. The results help identify the areas where a more in-depth assessment is recommended.

Usage

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 Basile R. - Clinical Psychologist