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Opioid Risk Tool (ORT)

The Opioid Risk Tool (ORT) is a questionnaire that assesses the risk of developing problematic use of or dependence on opioids in patients for whom such treatment is being considered for chronic non-cancer pain. It helps clinicians anticipate opioid-related risk behaviors based on individual factors.

Number of questions	10 questions
Estimated duration	5 minutes
Language	English
Original name	Opioid Risk Tool
Target audience	Adults with chronic pain
Authors	Lynn R. Webster (2005)
Category	Addictions

Preview of the 10 questions

Family history of substance abuse: Alcohol

Yes No

Family history of substance abuse: Illegal drugs

Yes No

Family history of substance abuse: Rx drugs

Yes No

Personal history of substance abuse: Alcohol

Yes No

Personal history of substance abuse: Illegal drugs

Yes | No

Scoring & interpretation

The responses are added up according to an established scoring system for each risk factor (family history, personal history, age, sex, etc.). The final score is interpreted at three levels: low, moderate, or high risk of opioid misuse. Specific follow-up or support recommendations are proposed according to the score obtained.