

SEFBHN Recommended Level 2 Screener

The second step in effective suicide prevention is to identify who is at-risk for a suicide attempt. Using a validated screening tool that assesses for previous suicide attempts and current ideation is essential to any suicide intervention.

Zero Suicide Recommended Screeners:

Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale (C-SSRS) (SCREENER)

• Free training and tools here: <u>http://cssrs.columbia.edu/the-columbia-scale-</u> <u>c-ssrs/about-the-scale/</u>

The Columbia-Suicide Severity Rating Scale (C-SSRS) is a 6-item tool that can be used in many settings, including medical, inpatient, residential and outpatient behavioral health.

The C-SSRS looks at identified suicide attempts and assesses the full range of suicidal thoughts and behaviors. It can be used in initial screenings or as part of a full assessment. It is a widely used screening tool that is free, culturally competent (translated in over 100 languages) and evidence-based.