

**VANDERBILT ADHD DIAGNOSTIC PARENT RATING SCALE**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

**Each rating should be considered in the context of what is appropriate for the age of your child.**

**Frequency Code:      0 = Never      1 = Occasionally      2 = Often      3 = Very Often**

- 1. Does not pay attention to details or makes careless mistakes, for example homework    0 1 2 3
- 2. Has difficulty sustaining attention to tasks or activities                                    0 1 2 3
- 3. Does not seem to listen when spoken to directly    0 1 2 3
- 4. Does not follow through on instructions and fails to finish schoolwork (not due to oppositional behavior or failure to understand)    0 1 2 3
- 5. Has difficulty organizing tasks and activities    0 1 2 3
- 6. Avoids, dislikes, or is reluctant to engage in tasks that require sustained mental effort    0 1 2 3
- 7. Loses things necessary for tasks or activities (school assignments, pencils or books)    0 1 2 3
- 8. Is easily distracted by extraneous stimuli    0 1 2 3
- 9. Is forgetful in daily activities    0 1 2 3
- 10. Fidgets with hands or feet or squirms in seat    0 1 2 3
- 11. Leaves seat when remaining seated is expected    0 1 2 3
- 12. Runs about or climbs excessively in situations when remaining seated is expected    0 1 2 3
- 13. Has difficulty playing or engaging in leisure/play activities quietly                    0 1 2 3
- 14. Is "on the go" or often acts as if "drive by a motor"                                        0 1 2 3
- 15. Talks too much    0 1 2 3
- 16. Blurts out answers before questions have been completed                                0 1 2 3
- 17. Has difficulty waiting his/her turn    0 1 2 3
- 18. Interrupts or intrudes on others (e.g., butts into conversations or games)            0 1 2 3
- 19. Argues with adults    0 1 2 3
- 20. Loses temper    0 1 2 3
- 21. Actively defies or refuses to comply with adults' requests or rules                        0 1 2 3
- 22. Deliberately annoys people    0 1 2 3
- 23. Blames others for his or her mistakes or misbehaviors                                        0 1 2 3
- 24. Is touchy or easily annoyed by others    0 1 2 3



- 25. Is angry or resentful 0 1 2 3
  - 26. Is spiteful and vindictive 0 1 2 3
  - 27. Bullies, threatens, or intimidates others 0 1 2 3
  - 28. Initiates physical fights 0 1 2 3
  - 29. Lies to obtain goods for favors or to avoid obligations (i.e., "cons" others) 0 1 2 3
  - 30. Is truant from school (skips school) without permission 0 1 2 3
  - 31. Is physically cruel to people 0 1 2 3
  - 32. Has stolen items of nontrivial value 0 1 2 3
  - 33. Deliberately destroys others' property 0 1 2 3
  - 34. Has used a weapon that can cause serious harm (bat, knife, brick, gun) 0 1 2 3
  - 35. Is physically cruel to animals 0 1 2 3
  - 36. Has deliberately set fires to cause damage 0 1 2 3
  - 37. Has broken into someone else's home, business, or car 0 1 2 3
  - 38. Has stayed out at night without permission 0 1 2 3
  - 39. Has run away from home overnight 0 1 2 3
  - 40. Has forced someone into sexual activity 0 1 2 3
  - 41. Is fearful, anxious, or worried 0 1 2 3
  - 42. Is afraid to try new things for fear of making mistakes 0 1 2 3
  - 43. Feels worthless or inferior 0 1 2 3
  - 44. Blames self for problems, feels guilty 0 1 2 3
  - 45. Feels lonely, unwanted, or unloved: complains that "no one loves him/her" 0 1 2 3
  - 46. Is sad, unhappy, or depressed 0 1 2 3
  - 47. Is self-conscious or easily embarrassed 0 1 2 3
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