

Initial Screening

- 1. Is there a history of any risky/dangerous behaviors present now or in the past (not including substance abuse)?
 - Suicide attempts
 - Suicidal gestures (threatening to kill self, gathering items that could be used)
 - Suicidal thoughts
 - Self-harm (cutting, burning, scratching, banging head, hitting self)
 - Intense aggressive outbursts (physical aggression, verbal aggression, property destruction)
 - Risky sexual behavior (multiple partners, engaging with unfamiliar partners)
 - Other risky behavior (running away, hanging out with peers who engage in unlawful behavior)
- 2. How long have the above behaviors been going on?
- 3. Is there a history of other impulsive behaviors like substance abuse, eating disorder behavior? If yes, how long have those behaviors been going on?
- 4. Have you or your child ever been in any legal trouble?
- 5. Have you or your child ever been hospitalized for mental health issues?
- 6. Have you or your child ever been diagnosed with a mental illness like depression, anxiety, PTSD?
- 7. Have you or your child ever been diagnosed with Borderline Personality Disorder?
- 8. Do you or your child have a history of a developmental disorder like Autism Spectrum Disorder?
- 9. Do you or your child have any impairments in cognitive functioning such as an intellectual disability or psychosis?
- 10. How have displays of emotions been over the course of lifetime?
 - More sensitive and reactive to things than most people?
 - Dramatic displays of emotion more frequent than other people of the same age? History of rages?
 - Hesitant to feel and show emotions?
- 11. Any history of mental illness in family (particularly Borderline Personality Disorder, Bipolar Disorder, Schizophrenia)?
- 12. What type of mental health treatment have you or your child had? (hospitalized, residential, partial hospitalization, outpatient therapy, substance abuse treatment)?
- 13. Did a mental health provider suggest that DBT would be an effective treatment for you or your child?
- 14. Are you or your child taking any psychotropic medications and if so, what are they?