GAD-7 Anxiety

| Over the <u>last two weeks</u> , how often have you been bothered by the following problems? | Not at all | Several days | More than half the days | Nearly every day |
|--|---------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| Feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Not being able to stop or control worrying | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Worrying too much about different things | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 4. Trouble relaxing | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Being so restless that it is hard to sit still | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Becoming easily annoyed or irritable | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Feeling afraid, as if something awful might happen | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

| | Total score | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------|----------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
| If you checked any problems, how difficult have they made it for you to do your work, take care of things at home, or get along with other people? | | | | | | | |
| Not difficult at all | Somewhat difficult | Very difficult | Extremely difficult | | | | |
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Column totals

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Scoring GAD-7 Anxiety Severity

This is calculated by assigning scores of 0, 1, 2, and 3 to the response categories, respectively, of "not at all," "several days," "more than half the days," and "nearly every day." GAD-7 total score for the seven items ranges from 0 to 21.

0-4: minimal anxiety

5-9: mild anxiety

10–14: moderate anxiety 15–21: severe anxiety

The GAD-7 is the most common standardized tool used by primary care doctors and mental health providers in the U.S. to screen for anxiety.