

Appendix

The Mood Disorder Questionnaire

Instructions: Please answer each question as best you can.

- | | YES | NO |
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| 1. Has there ever been a period of time when you were not your usual self and... | | |
| ...you were so irritated that you shouted at people or started fights or arguments? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...you felt much more self-confident than usual? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...you got much less sleep than usual and found you didn't really miss it? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...you were much more talkative or spoke much faster than usual? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...thoughts raced through your head or you couldn't slow your mind down? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...you were so easily distracted by things around you that you had trouble concentrating or staying on track? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...you had much more energy than usual? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...you were much more active and did many more things than usual? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...you were much more social or outgoing than usual; for example, you telephoned friends in the middle of the night? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...you were much more interested in sex than usual? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...you did things that were unusual for you or that other people might have thought were excessive, foolish, or risky? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...spending money got you or your family into trouble? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

2. If you checked Yes to more than one of the above, have several of these ever happened during the same period of time?

3. How much of a problem did any of these cause you — like being unable to work; having family, money, or legal troubles; or getting into arguments or fights?

Please circle one response only.

No problem Minor problem Moderate problem Serious problem

4. Have any of your blood relatives (ie, children, siblings, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles) had manic-depressive illness or bipolar disorder?

5. Has a health professional ever told you that you have manic-depressive illness or bipolar disorder?

PATIENT NAME:

TODAY'S DATE:

MOOD DISORDER QUESTIONNAIRE

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

Please answer the questions as best you can by putting a check in the appropriate box.

1. Has there ever been a period of time when you were not your usual self and ...	Yes	No
... you felt so good or so hyper that other people thought you were not your normal self or you were so hyper that you got into trouble?		
... you were so irritable that you shouted at people or started fights or arguments?		
... you felt much more self-confident than usual?		
... you got much less sleep than usual and found that you didn't really miss it?		
... you were more talkative or spoke much faster than usual?		
... thoughts raced through your head or you couldn't slow your mind down?		
... you were so easily distracted by things around you that you had trouble concentrating or staying on track?		
... you had much more energy than usual?		
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... you were much more interested in sex than usual?		
... you did things that were unusual for you or that other people might have thought were excessive, foolish, or risky?		
... spending money got you or your family into trouble?		

2. If you checked Yes to more than one of the above, have several of these ever happened during the same period of time?	Yes	No

3. How much of a problem did any of these cause you (like being unable to work; having family, money, or legal troubles; and/or getting into arguments or fights)?	No Problem	Minor Problem	Moderate Problem	Serious Problem

The Mood Disorder Questionnaire (MDQ) was developed by Robert M. A. Hirschfeld, MD (University of Texas Medical Branch), and published in the *American Journal of Psychiatry*. (Hirschfeld RMA, Williams JBW, Spitzer RL, et al. Development and validation of a screening instrument for bipolar spectrum disorder: the Mood Disorder Questionnaire. *Am J Psychiatry*. 2000;157:1873-1875.)