# The Kessler-10+ (K-10+)

# The K-10+ LM

### Instructions

The following ten questions ask about how you have been feeling in the **last four weeks**. For each question, mark the circle under the option that best describes the amount of time you felt that way.

		None of the time	A little of the time	Some of the time	Most of the time	All of the time
1.	In the last four weeks, about how often did you feel tired out for no good reason?	0	0	0	0	0
2.	In the last four weeks, about how often did you feel nervous?	0	0	0	0	0
3.	In the last four weeks, about how often did you feel so nervous that nothing could calm you down?	0	0	0	0	0
4.	In the last four weeks, about how often did you feel hopeless?	0	0	0	0	0
5.	In the last four weeks, about how often did you feel restless or fidgety?	0	0	0	0	0
6.	In the last four weeks, about how often did you feel so restless you could not sit still?	0	0	0	0	0
7.	In the last four weeks, about how often did you feel depressed?	0	0	0	0	0
8.	In the last four weeks, about how often did you feel that everything was an effort?	0	0	0	0	0
9.	In the last four weeks, about how often did you feel so sad that nothing could cheer you up?	0	0	0	0	0
10.	In the last four weeks, about how often did you feel worthless?	0	0	0	0	0

The next few questions are about how these feelings may have affected you in the **last four weeks.** 

You need not answer these questions if you answered 'None of the time' to all of the ten questions about your feelings

11.	In the last four weeks, how many days were you TOTALLY UNABLE to work, study or manage	
	your day to day activities because of these feelings?	(Number of days)
12.	[Aside from those days], in the last 4 weeks, HOW MANY DAYS were you able to work or study or manage your day to day activities, but had to CUT DOWN on what you did because of these feelings?	(Number of days)
13.	In the last 4 weeks, how many times have you seen a doctor or any other health professional about these feelings?	(Number of consultations)
14.	In the last 4 weeks, how often have physical health problems been the main cause of these feelings?	
	None of the time A little of the time Some of the time Most of the time All of the time	O O O O

# Thank you for completing this questionnaire.

Please return it to the staff member who asked you to complete it.

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# The K-10L3D

#### Instructions

The following ten questions ask about how you have been feeling in the **last three days**. For each question, mark the circle under the option that best describes the amount of time you felt that way.

		None of the time	A little of the time	Some of the time	Most of the time	All of the time
1.	In the last three days, about how often did you feel tired out for no good reason?	0	0	0	0	0
2.	In the last three days, about how often did you feel nervous?	0	0	0	0	0
3.	In the last three days, about how often did you feel so nervous that nothing could calm you down?	0	0	0	0	0
4.	In the last three days, about how often did you feel hopeless?	0	0	0	0	0
5.	In the last three days, about how often did you feel restless or fidgety?	0	0	0	0	0
6.	In the last three days, about how often did you feel so restless you could not sit still?	0	0	0	0	0
7.	In the last three days, about how often did you feel depressed?	0	0	0	0	0
8.	In the last three days, about how often did you feel that everything was an effort?	0	0	0	0	0
9.	In the last three days, about how often did you feel so sad that nothing could cheer you up?	0	0	0	0	0
10.	In the last three days, about how often did you feel worthless?	0	0	0	0	0

## Thankyou for completing this questionnaire.

Please return it to the staff member who asked you to complete it.

#### NOTE: The K10 and K10+ forms displayed above are the generic forms.

#### K10 versions

The version referred to in the NOCC specification as K10LM, is also referred to as the K10+ because it contains four additional questions (items 11-14) that assess variables relevant to distress. This terminology is consistent with the National Comorbidity Survey web-site (<a href="https://www.hcp.med.harvard.edu/ncs/K6-K10/index.html">www.hcp.med.harvard.edu/ncs/K6-K10/index.html</a>). The label "LM" stands for Last Month, because the rating period is the last four weeks.

The version referred to as 'K10L3D' contains only the ten psychological distress items and has the label 'L3D' because consumers are instructed to base their ratings on the last three days. This version is only for use at discharge from brief episodes of care where the 'standard' 4-week rating period would overlap with the ratings made at the beginning of the episode.