



Edinburgh Perinatal/Postnatal Depression Scale (EPDS)

For use between **28–32 weeks** in **all** pregnancies and **6–8 weeks** postpartum

Name: _____ Date: _____ Gestation in Weeks: _____

As you are having a baby, we would like to know how you are feeling. Please mark “X” in the box next to the answer which comes closest to how you have felt in the **past 7 days**—not just how you feel today.

In the past 7 days:

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| <p>1. I have been able to laugh and see the funny side of things</p> <p>0 <input type="checkbox"/> As much as I always could</p> <p>1 <input type="checkbox"/> Not quite so much now</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Definitely not so much now</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> Not at all</p> | <p>6. Things have been getting on top of me</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, most of the time I haven't been able to cope</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, sometimes I haven't been coping as well as usual</p> <p>1 <input type="checkbox"/> No, most of the time I have coped quite well</p> <p>0 <input type="checkbox"/> No, I have been coping as well as ever</p> |
| <p>2. I have looked forward with enjoyment to things</p> <p>0 <input type="checkbox"/> As much as I ever did</p> <p>1 <input type="checkbox"/> Rather less than I used to</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Definitely less than I used to</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> Hardly at all</p> | <p>7. I have been so unhappy that I have had difficulty sleeping</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, most of the time</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, sometimes</p> <p>1 <input type="checkbox"/> Not very often</p> <p>0 <input type="checkbox"/> No, not at all</p> |
| <p>3. I have blamed myself unnecessarily when things went wrong</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, most of the time</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, some of the time</p> <p>1 <input type="checkbox"/> Not very often</p> <p>0 <input type="checkbox"/> No, never</p> | <p>8. I have felt sad or miserable</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, most of the time</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, quite often</p> <p>1 <input type="checkbox"/> Not very often</p> <p>0 <input type="checkbox"/> No, not at all</p> |
| <p>4. I have been anxious or worried for no good reason</p> <p>0 <input type="checkbox"/> No, not at all</p> <p>1 <input type="checkbox"/> Hardly ever</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, sometimes</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, very often</p> | <p>9. I have been so unhappy that I have been crying</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, most of the time</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, quite often</p> <p>1 <input type="checkbox"/> Only occasionally</p> <p>0 <input type="checkbox"/> No, never</p> |
| <p>5. I have felt scared or panicky for no very good reason</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, quite a lot</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, sometimes</p> <p>1 <input type="checkbox"/> No, not much</p> <p>0 <input type="checkbox"/> No, not at all</p> | <p>10. The thought of harming myself has occurred to me</p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, quite often</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes</p> <p>1 <input type="checkbox"/> Hardly ever</p> <p>0 <input type="checkbox"/> Never</p> |

Total Score

Talk about your answers to the above questions with your health care provider.

Translations for care-provider use available on PSBC website: perinatalservicesbc.ca.