HOMES® Multi-disciplinary Hoarding Risk Assessment

Health
- Cannot use bathtub/shower
- Cannot access toilet
- Garbage/Trash Overflow

Obstacles
- Cannot move freely/safely in home
- Inability for EMT to enter/gain access

Mental Health (Note that this is not a clinical diagnosis; use only to identify risk factors)
- Does not seem to understand seriousness of problem
- Does not seem to accept likely consequence of problem

Endangerment (evaluate threat based on other sections with attention to specific populations listed below)
- Threat to health or safety of child/minor
- Threat to health or safety of older adult

Structure & Safety
- Unstable floorboards/stairs/porch
- Flammable items beside heat source
- Storage of hazardous materials/weapons

Notes:

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Household Composition

# of Adults ___________  # of Children ___________________________  # and kinds of Pets ___________________________

Ages of adults: _______________  Ages of children: _______________  Person who smokes in home  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

Person(s) with physical disability __________________________________________  Language(s) spoken in home ___________________________

Assessment Notes: ____________________________________________________________________________________________

Risk Measurements

☐ Imminent Harm to self, family, animals, public:____________________________________________________________

☐ Threat of Eviction: ____________________________  ☐ Threat of Condemnation:_________________________________________

Capacity Measurements

Instructions: Place a check mark by the items that represent the strengths and capacity to address the hoarding problem

☐ Awareness of clutter

☐ Willingness to acknowledge clutter and risks to health, safety and ability to remain in home/impact on daily life

☐ Physical ability to clear clutter

☐ Psychological ability to tolerate intervention

☐ Willingness to accept intervention assistance

Capacity Notes: ____________________________________________________________________________________________

Post-Assessment Plan/Referral

__________________________________________________________________________________________

Date: ___________  Client Name: ___________________________________________  Assessor: ____________________________
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Instructions for Use

- **HOMES** Multi-disciplinary Hoarding Risk Assessment provides a structural measure through which the level of risk in a hoarded environment can be conceptualized.

- It is intended as an *initial* and *brief* assessment to aid in determining the nature and parameters of the hoarding problem and organizing a plan from which further action may be taken-- including immediate intervention, additional assessment or referral.

- **HOMES** can be used in a variety of ways, depending on needs and resources. It is recommended that a visual scan of the environment in combination with a conversation with the person(s) in the home be used to determine the effect of clutter/hoarding on **Health**, **Obstacles**, **Mental Health**, **Endangerment** and **Structure** in the setting.

- The Family Composition, Imminent Risk, Capacity, Notes and Post-Assessment sections are intended for additional information about the hoarded environment, the occupants and their capacity/strength to address the problem.