

THE BINGE EATING DISORDER SCREENER-7

The Binge Eating Disorder Screener-7 (BEDS-7; 2014) is a screening tool that has been designed to screen adults who may have BED.

The following questions ask about your eating patterns and behaviors within the last 3 months. For each question, choose the answer that best applies to you.

1. During the last 3 months, did you have any episodes of excessive overeating (i.e., eating significantly more than what most people would eat in a similar period of time)?	Yes	No
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NOTE: IF YOU ANSWERED "NO" TO QUESTION 1, YOU MAY STOP. THE REMAINING QUESTIONS DO NOT APPLY TO YOU.

2. Do you feel distressed about your episodes of excessive overeating?	Yes	No
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Within the past 3 months...	Never or Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
3. During your episodes of excessive overeating, how often did you feel like you had no control over your eating (e.g., not being able to stop eating, feel compelled to eat, or going back and forth for more food)?				
4. During your episodes of excessive overeating, how often did you continue eating even though you were not hungry?				
5. During your episodes of excessive overeating, how often were you embarrassed by how much you ate?				
6. During your episodes of excessive overeating, how often did you feel disgusted with yourself or guilty afterward?				
7. During the last 3 months, how often did you make yourself vomit as a means to control your weight or shape?				

Source: Herman, B. K., Deal, L. S., DiBenedetti, D. B., Nelson, L., Fehnel, S. E., & Brown, T. M. (2016). Development of the 7-Item Binge-Eating Disorder Screener (BEDS-7). *The Primary Care Companion for CNS Disorders, 18*(2)

STEP 1:
QUESTION 1

If the patient answers “YES” to question 1, continue on to questions 2 through 7.

If the patient answers “NO” to question 1, there is no reason to proceed with the remainder of the screener.

STEP 2:
QUESTIONS 2-7

If the patient answers “YES” to question 2 **AND** checks one of the shaded boxes for all questions 3 through 7, follow-up discussion of the patient’s eating behaviors and his or her feelings about those behaviors should be considered.

STEP 3

Evaluate the patient based upon the complete *DSM-5*[®] diagnostic criteria for B.E.D.²