

Assessing risk, needs, and protective factors in at-risk and juvenile justice-involved youth.

The Youth Assessment and Screening Instrument (YASI<sup>TM</sup>) provides a vehicle for entering and analyzing information collected by professionals who assess atrisk youth clients.

Stimulating well-informed, individualized case planning is a critical challenge in youth assessment tools. YASI faces this challenge with an efficient interface that allows juvenile probation officers, caseworkers, youth service managers, social workers, and other professionals to immediately link client assessment results to individualized case planning and service provision.



## **FEATURES**



Improved links to case planning



Inclusion of strengths



Assessment of trauma



An abridged Pre-Screen for early case decisions



#### What does the YASI approach consist of?

The model features three main components:

- **1. Mapping** (assessment)
- **2. Planning** (mobilizing youth motivation)
- **3. Reviewing** (reassessment, reinforcing change, responding to relapse, managing the plan as it progresses)

YASI emphasizes that assessment is only a first step. Without case planning, assessing risk, needs

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cloud-based server. No downloading necessary—just an internet connection and a web browser! and strengths have little value on their own. The YASI assessment results drive the case plan. The key objective is to ensure that assessment helps produce good decision-making and the creation of individualized plans to reduce problem behavior.

The YASI domains (or sub-scales) include both "static" (historical and



unchangeable) and "dynamic" (changeable) factors. Static factors (e.g., delinquency record) are necessary and efficient predictors of recidivism. Dynamic factors are predictors of recidivism that also point to youth characteristics and behavioral patterns that need to change in order to reduce future problems.

Domains included in the assessment consist of:

- 1. Legal History
- 2. Family
- 3. School
- 4. Community/Peers
- 5. Alcohol/Drugs

- 6. Mental Health
- 7. Violence/Aggression
- 8. Attitudes
- 9. Adaptive Skills
- 10. Use of Free Time/Employment

## **BENEFITS**

### Individualized

Our assessments are designed to fit the needs of specific population groups & their unique needs.

### **Action-oriented**

A user-friendly interface helps professionals effectively analyze results & develop actionable service plans.

## Strengths-focused

Orbis' risk assessment tools capitalize on strengths & protective factors in order to promote client success.

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