



Avatar Bulletin: CANS 2.0 Two-Timepoint Traffic Light Report (Retiring CANS 1.0 Traffic Light Report)

Effective Friday, June 21, 2019

Audience

All CYF providers/supervisors using the Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) assessments. In your program’s next staff meeting, please share this bulletin and instructions with clinical staff.

Purpose

Announcing the new CANS 2.0 Two-Timepoint Traffic Light Report. This client-level report allows providers to compare any two finalized CANS assessments and easily track areas that have changed over two time points. Any two finalized CANS (includes CANS 2.0 and 1.0 versions) assessments within the same episode can be selected for comparison. This new report will replace the older CANS Traffic Light Report. This report will be **available for everyone effective Friday, June 21**.

Location of Report

Avatar CWS>Assessments>User Defined Assessments>CANS 2.0>**CANS 2.0 Traffic Light Report**

Running the Report

There are a few important details about the **selection criteria** for running the CANS 2.0 Traffic Light Report.

- The report can be run for just one CANS assessment (without a comparison) or two CANS assessments (for comparison).
- As mentioned, only finalized CANS assessment(s) can be selected in this report.
- The report can only compare assessments in the same age range: a CANS 2.0 (0 thru 5) or CANS 1.0 (0/4) can only be compared to another CANS 2.0 (0 thru 5) or CANS 1.0 (0/4).
- The report can only compare CANS assessment(s) for the same client that exist in the selected episode (cannot compare across episodes).

The screenshot shows the 'CANS 2.0 Traffic Light Report' interface. It includes a 'Process' button, a 'Select a Client' dropdown menu, a 'Select an Episode' dropdown menu, and a 'Compare CANS Records from which Age Group?' dropdown menu. Below these are sections for 'Current CANS' and 'Previous CANS' with columns for 'Finalized On', 'CANS Form', 'Type', and 'Filed By'. Callouts with arrows point to these elements, providing instructions on how to use the report.

**If nothing displays in the dropdown selection for a previous CANS, check the episode in Chartview to confirm there is another finalized assessment for the age group selected.*

The CANS 2.0 Two-Timepoint Traffic Light Report

This is a screenshot of the CANS 2.0 Two-Timepoint Traffic Light Report. Please refer to the **Legend** located on the right hand side of the report for the information regarding the various symbols. As indicated below, current CANS items rated a 3 are highlighted in **red**.

San Francisco Department of Public Health Community Behavioral Health Services		Client Name: TESTCLIENT,SUMMARY Client ID: 1 Program: ACCESS Screening Provider: VOELKER,KIMBERLY Episode Number: 1 Admission Date: 7/2/2010		
CANS 6 thru 20 Two Timepoint Traffic Light Report		Days between CANS: 271		
CANS Domain	CANS Item	Previous CYF 5/18 2/22/2018 Initial	Current CYF 6 thru 20 11/20/2018 Initial	Change
Needs	Psychosis	0	0	—
	Impulsivity/Hyperactivity	0	0	—
	Depression	1	1	—
	Anxiety	1	1	—
	Oppositional Conduct	2	2	→
	Substance Use	0	0	—
	Somatization	0	0	—
	Anger Control	3	3	→
	Adjustment to Trauma	2	0	↓
	Eating Disturbances	0	0	—
Attachment Difficulties	1	0	—	
Traumatic Stress Symptoms	Emotional/Physical Dysregulation	2	2	→
	Intrusions/Re-Experiencing	0	0	—
	Hyperarousal	0	0	—
	Traumatic Grief and Separation	2	2	→
	Numbing	0	0	—
	Dissociation Avoidance	0	0	—
Impact on Functioning	Family Functioning	0	0	—
	Living Situation	0	0	—
	Recreational	2	2	→
	Developmental/Intellectual	0	0	—
	Legal	0	0	—
	Medical/Physical	0	0	—
	School Behavior	3	3	→
	School Attendance	3	2	→
	School Functioning	0	0	—
	Social Functioning	0	1	↑
Decision Making	0	0	—	
Sleep	0	0	—	
Risk Behaviors	Suicide Risk	0	0	—
	Other Self Harm (Recklessness)	0	0	—
	Danger to Others	1	1	—
	Sexual Aggression	0	0	—
	Runaway	0	0	—
	Delinquent Behavior	0	0	—
	Fire Setting	0	0	—
	Non-Suicidal Self-Injurious Behavior	0	0	—
Intentional Misbehavior	1	0	—	

Legend:

Numbered traffic lights refer only to CANS Ratings at 1 time point

- 3 Need is dangerous or disabling
- 2 Need interferes with functioning
- 1 History of need or suspicion
- 0 No evidence of need

Arrows refer to comparing current and previous CANS

- ↑ Newly identified Need
- Continuity of Need
- ↓ Need met
- Maintenance

CANS Item in RED has a rating of 3 in **Current** assessment

Need Additional Support?

- If you need assistance or have questions regarding this bulletin, please contact the Avatar Help Desk at 415-255-3788 or via e-mail at avatarhelp@sfdph.org.
- If you need consultation or coaching regarding using this report for client-level data reflection activities, please contact Ritchie Rubio at ritchie.rubio@sfdph.org.