

## Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale<sup>1</sup> (EPDS)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

As you are pregnant or have recently had a baby, we would like to know how you are feeling. Please check the answer that comes closest to how you have felt **IN THE PAST 7 DAYS**, not just how you feel today.

Here is an example, already completed.

### I have felt happy:

- ☐ Yes, all the time
- ☐ Yes, most of the time
- ☐ No, not very often
- ☐ No, not at all

This would mean: "I have felt happy most of the time" during the past week. Please complete the other questions in the same way.

### In the past 7 days:

#### 1. I have been able to laugh and see the funny side of things

- ☐ As much as I always could
- ☐ Not quite so much now
- ☐ Definitely not so much now
- ☐ Not at all

#### 2. I have looked forward with enjoyment to things

- ☐ As much as I ever did
- ☐ Not quite so much now
- ☐ Definitely not so much now
- ☐ Not at all

#### 3. I have blamed myself unnecessarily when things went wrong

- ☐ Yes, most of the time
- ☐ Yes, some of the time
- ☐ Not very often
- ☐ No, never

#### 4. I have been anxious or worried for no good reason

- ☐ No, not at all
- ☐ Hardly ever
- ☐ Yes, sometimes
- ☐ Yes, very often

#### 5. I have felt scared or panicky for no very good reason

- ☐ Yes, quite a lot
- ☐ Yes, sometimes
- ☐ No, not much
- ☐ No, not at all

#### 6. Things have been getting on top of me

- ☐ Yes, most of the time I haven't been able to cope at all
- ☐ Yes, sometimes I haven't been coping as well as usual
- ☐ No, most of the time I have coped quite well
- ☐ No, I have been coping as well as ever

#### 7. I have been so unhappy that I have had difficulty sleeping

- ☐ Yes, most of the time
- ☐ Yes, sometimes
- ☐ Not very often
- ☐ No, not at all

#### 8. I have felt sad or miserable

- ☐ Yes, most of the time
- ☐ Yes, quite often
- ☐ Not very often
- ☐ No, not at all



#### 9. I have been so unhappy that I have been crying

- ☐ Yes, most of the time
- ☐ Yes, quite often
- ☐ Only occasionally
- ☐ No, never

#### 10. The thought of harming myself has occurred to me

- ☐ Yes, quite often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Hardly ever
- ☐ Never

<sup>1</sup>Source: Cox, J.L., Holden, J.M., and Sagovsky, R. 1987. Detection of postnatal depression: Development of the 10-item Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale. British Journal of Psychiatry 150:782-786.