NICH Vulnerability and Risk Scales

Medical Vulnerability Scale

<u>Diagnoses</u>

- Cancer/GVHD
- Cardiac
- Developmental/Intellectual disability
- Endocrine (eg, T1D, T2D)
- Failure to thrive or eating disorder
- Gastroenterological (eg, IBD)
- Genetic disorders and congenital anomalies (eg, Spina Bifida)
- Hematological (eg, sickle cell)
- Infectious disease
- Neurological (eg, epilepsy)
- Obesity
- Pain (eg, migraine, abdominal pain)
- Prematurity (<37 wks)
- Pulmonary (eg, CF, asthma)
- Renal (eg, ESRD, Nephrotic Syndrome)
- Other: _____

Care Complications

- Awaiting transplant
- Central line/Port/PICC
- Colostomy/ileostomy
- G-tube/PEG
- _ NG/NJ tube
- Post-transplant
- 🗌 TPN
- Tracheostomy
- Upcoming surgical procedures
- Ventilator dependent

<u>Age</u>

- Adolescent (≥ 13yrs)
- Child (6yrs 12yrs)
- Young child (3yrs 5yrs)
- Infant/toddler (birth 2yrs)

<u>Insurance</u>

- No insurance
- Medicaid/Medicare
- Commercial insurance

Behavioral Health

- Behavioral or mental health diag (Child)
 Being treated
- Drug/Alcohol problems (Child)
- History of abuse/neglect (Child)
- History of early deprivation (Child)
- History of trauma (Child)
- Mental health diag (Caregiver)
 Being treated
- Drug/Alcohol problems (Caregiver)

Family Health

- Medical condition (Caregiver)
- Sibling(s) with medical condition
 - _____ # of sibs with medical condition

Healthcare Utilization

- Frequent ED admits
- Frequent hospitalizations
- Extended hospital stays
- Excessive calls to PCP/Specialist

Regimen Demands

- 1-2 hrs/day spent on regimen, no significant impact on engagement in daily activities – <u>eg, Obesity, T2D</u>
- 1-2 hrs/day spent on regimen, some impact on engagement in daily activities – <u>eg, Asthma, FFT, IBD, Pain</u>
- 1-2 hrs/day spent on regimen, significant impact on engagement in daily activities, requires close monitoring – <u>eg, T1D</u>
- 2-3 hrs/day spent on regimen, significant impact on engagement in daily activities, requires close monitoring – <u>eg, Short Gut</u>
- 4+ hrs/day hours/day spent on regimen, significant impact on engagement in daily activities, requires very close monitoring – <u>eg, ESRD, CF</u>

Social Vulnerability Scale

Parental Status

- Teen parent
- Child not in family home (foster care)
- Single parent/guardian
- Split time between 2 parents/guardians
- Primarily with parent and stepparent/partner
- Two bio/adoptive parents

Transportation

- No transportation (just public)
- Unreliable transportation: car with freq problems or lack of money for gas
- Reliable transportation

Education

- Child not in school
- Child in online school
- Child frequently truant
- Child in school or not school age

Caregiver Education

- Caregiver Less than high school
- Caregiver High school grad
- Caregiver Some college
- Caregiver College grad

Employment

- Caregiver unemployed
- Caregiver underemployed (<30 hrs/wk)
- More than one part time job
- Caregiver disabled
- Caregiver employed or retired

<u>Language</u>

- Caregiver no English (requires translator)
- Caregiver some English (benefits from translator)
- Caregiver good English (conversationally fluid)

Child Protection

- Current DHS/CPS involvement
- Previous DHS/CPS involvement
- No DHS/CPS involvement

Social Support

- Family socially isolated (No friends or family within 10 miles)
- No alternative childcare options
- Some friends/church support; extended family
- Good social support

<u>Resources</u>

- Food insecurity
- No food insecurity (Never runs out of money for groceries)

Healthcare System Access

- ⊇ ≥50 miles from tertiary med center
- 20 to 50 miles of tertiary med center
- Sector Secto

Race/Ethnicity

- African-American or Biracial
-] Native-American or Biracial
- Hispanic or Biracial
- Asian-American or Biracial
- Caucasian
- Caregivers Immigrants
- Other:_____

<u>Housing</u>

- Living with extended family or friends
- Insecure housing (trouble paying rent)
- Family frequently or recently evicted
- Family in shelter/car or other

Family Challenges

- Caregiver domestic violence (perp)
- Caregiver domestic violence (victim)
- Caregiver incarcerated
- Caregiver criminal history
- Child criminal history
- Death of parent or caregiver
- _____# of siblings in home
- _____# of people in the home