Pupil Wellbeing audits and measures

Overview description

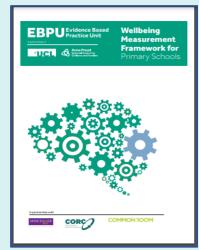
This chapter seeks to direct the reader to a comprehensive range of measures which explore a child/young person's emotional wellbeing.

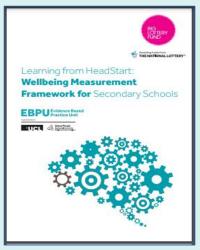
In the first instance, when concerned about children and young people's wellbeing it is important to consider setting-wide approaches to mental health and wellbeing. Please see **Section Two of this toolkit** for an overview and a selection of audits and measures.

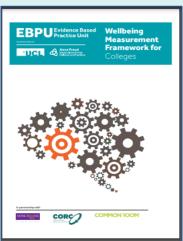
However, there will be occasions where it will be helpful to explore specific aspects of a child/young person's social and emotional skills and/or wellbeing. Fortunately, there is a wealth of scales and tools which are available and have already been organised and collated into helpful toolkits by EBPU (Evidence Based Practice Unit) which is a partnership with partners such as University of Manchester, UCL, Anna Freud National centre for Children and Families and CORC, Child Outcomes Research Consortium).

This Chapter, therefore, merely seeks to direct the reader to the following four extremely helpful documents available via the provided websites. An overview of contents is provided below to help readers identify where to target their reading.



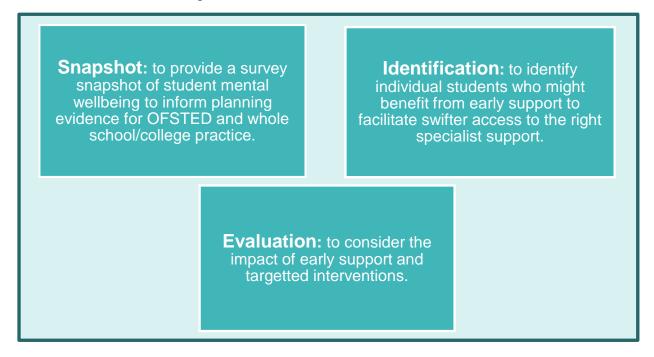




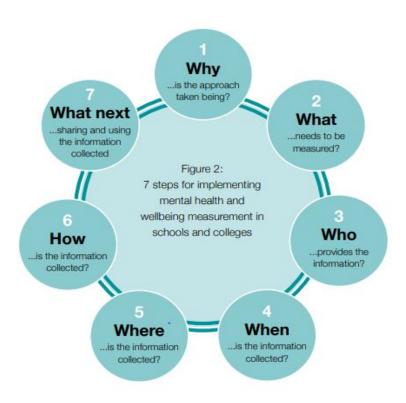


Why might schools and colleges want to measure mental wellbeing?

The toolkit states that there are 3 key purposes for which schools and colleges might wish to measure wellbeing.



It also sets out seven steps to think about when thinking about using an instrument and selecting it. (taken from page 9)



Measuring and Monitoring Children and Young People's Mental Wellbeing: A Toolkit for Schools and Colleges



A Public Health England document.

Written by EBPU in association with UCL, Anna Freud, CORC and Common Room.

https://www.annafreud.org/media/4612/mwb-toolki-final-draft-4.pdf

The aim of this toolkit is to make schools and college staff aware of the range of validated instruments that can be used to measure and monitor student mental wellbeing. **Section One** Explores what is meant by mental wellbeing, why schools and colleges might measure wellbeing and provides seven steps for implementation. **Section Two** Sets out some practice examples Section Offers practical advice for introducing wellbeing instruments to Three students Appendix B Is a compendium of validated instruments which can be used to measure students' subjective mental wellbeing.

The Compendium of Validated Instruments

The compendium aims to summarise positive mental health and wellbeing measures. These measures were identified through a rapid review of existing literature on mental health and wellbeing and through consultations and discussions with schools and colleges. The measures did not have to be peer reviewed but they were only included if:

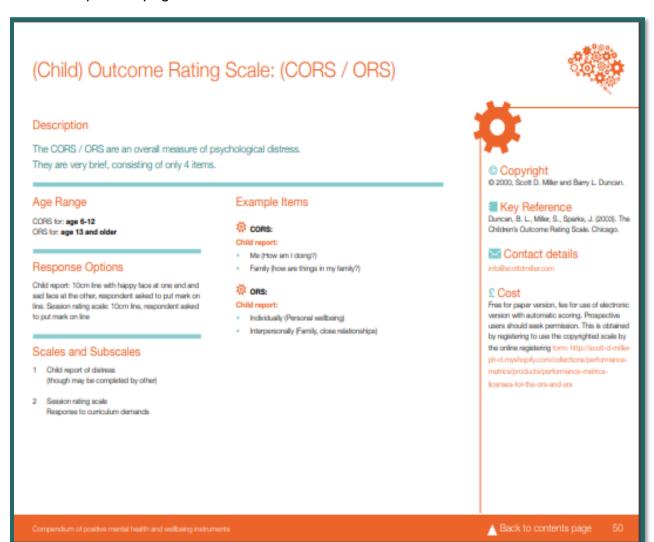
- They were suitable for use by children and young people;
- They were considered feasible to use in educational settings (i.e., not too long or requiring specific equipment);

- They were not unduly burdensome in terms of time taken to administer;
- They included items measuring positive wellbeing (as opposed to only mental ill health or emotional/behavioural difficulties).

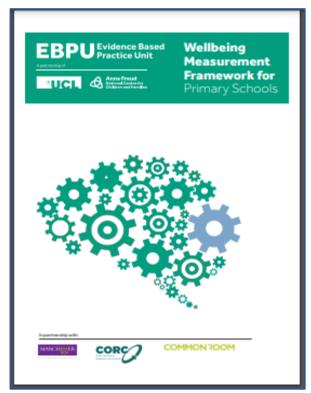
For each measure, the following details (where available) are included:

- Name
- Information on copyright
- Key reference for wider reading
- Brief description of the measure
- Age range the measure is suitable for
- Response options
- Number of scales and subscales
- Costs
- Contact details
- Example items

An example of a page is:



Wellbeing Measurement Framework for Primary Schools



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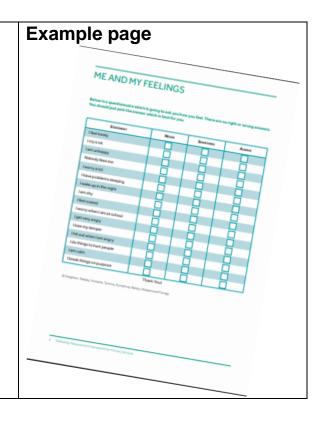
This is a set of questionnaires that can be used to measure wellbeing and resilience in children.

All references for the scales are provided so readers can check scoring/permissions.

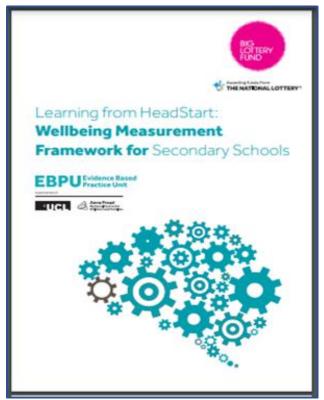
https://www.corc.uk.net/media/1506/primary-school-measures_310317_forweb.pdf

Questionnaires:

- ❖ Me and my feelings
- Student's life satisfaction scale
- Student Resilience Survey



Wellbeing Measurement Framework for Secondary Schools



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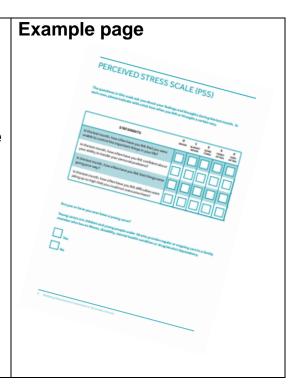
This is a set of questionnaires that can be used to measure wellbeing and resilience in young people.

All references for the scales are provided so readers can check scoring/permissions.

https://www.corc.uk.net/media/1517/blf17_20-second-school-measuresbl-17-03-17b.pdf

Questionnaires:

- The short Warwick-Edinburgh Mental Wellbeing Scale
- Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire
- Trait Emotional Intelligence
 Questionnaire Adolescent short form
 self-regulation subscale.
- ❖ Perceived stress scale
- Student Resilience Survey



Wellbeing Measurement Framework for Colleges



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This is a set of questionnaires that can be used to measure wellbeing and resilience in young people.

All references for the scales are provided so readers can check scoring/permissions.

https://www.corc.uk.net/media/1507/college-measures_310317_forweb.pdf

Questionnaires:

- General Population clinical outcomes in routine evaluation
- The Warwick-Edinburgh Mental Wellbeing Scale
- Student Resilience Survey
- **❖** Perceived stress scale
- Trait Emotional Intelligence
 Questionnaire Adolescent short form
 self-regulation subscale.

