SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF STRESS

CHECKLIST

PHYSICAL

Frequent headaches
Clenching of the jaw or jaw pain
Teeth grinding
Stammered speech or stuttering
Trembling or shaking hands or lips
Muscle spasms
General Body aches
☐ Back pain
□ Neck pain
☐ Shoulder tension and pain
Dizziness and/or light-headedness
Sweating
Feeling flushed or blushing of the facial cheeks
Sweaty and/or cold feet and/or hands
Dry mouth
Frequent illness, such as flu, colds, or infections
Hives, skin rashes, itching

Digestive problems
☐ Heartburn
☐ Stomach pain
□ Nausea
□ Diarrhea
□ Constipation
□ IBS
Labored or difficult breathing
Chest pain, heart palpitations, rapid pulse
Frequent urination not otherwise explained
Exhaustion and fatigue
Unexplained weight gain or loss

MENTAL

Panic attacks
Anxiety
Excessive worry
Depression
Loss of concentration
Loss of focus
Problems with learning and cognitive ability
Racing thoughts
Brain fog
Forgetfulness and memory problems
Difficulties with making decisions
Overwhelm
Burnout

MOOD

☐ Restlessness
□ Nervousness
☐ Nervous habits
□ Nail biting
□ Fidgeting
☐ Feet tapping
☐ Angry outbursts
☐ Hostility
☐ Frequent bouts of frustration
☐ Mood swings
□ Irritability
□ Edginess
☐ Overreaction to petty annoyances
☐ Frequent crying spells
☐ Feelings of loneliness or worthlessness

LIFESTYLE AND HABITS

Changes in appetite, with unexplained increases or decreases
Binge eating or eating behind stress
Poor sleep, including insomnia, and nightmares
Obsessive or compulsive behavior
□ Drugs
□ Alcohol
☐ Gambling
☐ Impulsive shopping
☐ Smoking of cigarettes
Loss of productivity at work
Excessive defensiveness or suspiciousness
Communication problems
Social isolation and withdrawal
Lack of sexual desire or interest