

Vermont Psychological Association

H.762 amended language

§ 1901g. ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCE
QUESTIONNAIRE

To reduce the long-term impact and cost of adverse childhood experiences, primary care health services are to be offered incentives to use of an appropriate PTSD symptom checklist with patients. If follow up is indicated, a trained mental health clinician who has a relationship with the patient may use the Adverse Childhood Experience Questionnaire for the purpose of assessing the patient's health risks and need for appropriate referral. The patient's medical record will not document this material. As used in this section, "primary care" means health services provided by health care professionals to identify and treat asymptomatic individuals who have risk factors or preclinical disease, but in whom the disease is not clinically apparent, including immunizations and screening, counseling, treatment, and medication determined by scientific evidence to be effective in preventing or detecting a condition.