# HOMES® Multi-disciplinary Hoarding Risk Assessment

## Health
- Cannot use bathtub/shower
- Cannot access toilet
- Garbage/Trash Overflow
- Cannot prepare food
- Cannot sleep in bed
- Cannot use stove/fridge/sink
- Presence of spoiled food
- Presence of feces/Urine (human or animal)
- Cannot locate medications or equipment
- Presence of insects/rodents
- Presence of mold or chronic dampness

Notes:_____________________________________________________________________________________________________

## Obstacles
- Cannot move freely/safely in home
- Inability for EMT to enter/gain access
- Unstable piles/avalanche risk
- Egresses, exits or vents blocked or unusable

Notes:_____________________________________________________________________________________________________

## Mental health (Note that this is not a clinical diagnosis; use only to identify risk factors)
- Does not seem to understand seriousness of problem
- Does not seem to accept likely consequence of problem
- Defensive or angry
- Unaware, not alert, or confused
- Anxious or apprehensive

Notes:_____________________________________________________________________________________________________

## Endangerment (evaluate threat based on other sections with attention to specific populations listed below)
- Threat to health or safety of child/minor
- Threat to health or safety of older adult
- Threat to health or safety of person with disability
- Threat to health or safety of animal
- Threat to neighbor with common wall

Notes:_____________________________________________________________________________________________________

## Structure & Safety
- Unstable floorboards/stairs/porch
- Leaking roof
- Flammable items beside heat source
- Caving walls
- Electrical wires/cords exposed
- No heat/electricity
- Storage of hazardous materials/weapons
- No running water/plumbing problems
- Blocked/unsafe electric heater or vents

Notes:_____________________________________________________________________________________________________

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## Household Composition

<table>
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<tr>
<th># of Adults</th>
<th># of Children</th>
<th># and kinds of Pets</th>
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<th>Ages of adults</th>
<th>Ages of children</th>
<th>Person who smokes in home</th>
<th>Person(s) with physical disability</th>
<th>Language(s) spoken in home</th>
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**Assessment Notes:**

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## Risk Measurements

- [ ] Imminent Harm to self, family, animals, public: ________________________________________________
- [ ] Threat of Eviction: ____________________________________________  [ ] Threat of Condemnation: ____________________________

## Capacity Measurements

**Instructions:** Place a check mark by the items that represent the strengths and capacity to address the hoarding problem

- [ ] Awareness of clutter
- [ ] Willingness to acknowledge clutter and risks to health, safety and ability to remain in home/impact on daily life
- [ ] Physical ability to clear clutter
- [ ] Psychological ability to tolerate intervention
- [ ] Willingness to accept intervention assistance

**Capacity Notes:**

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## Post-Assessment Plan/Referral

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**Date:** __________  **Client Name:** __________________________________________________________  **Assessor:** ____________________________________________

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Instructions for Use

- **HOMES** Multi-disciplinary Hoarding Risk Assessment provides a structural measure through which the level of risk in a hoarded environment can be conceptualized.

- It is intended as an *initial* and *brief* assessment to aid in determining the nature and parameters of the hoarding problem and organizing a plan from which further action may be taken— including immediate intervention, additional assessment or referral.

- **HOMES** can be used in a variety of ways, depending on needs and resources. It is recommended that a visual scan of the environment in combination with a conversation with the person(s) in the home be used to determine the effect of clutter/hoarding on **Health**, **Obstacles**, **Mental Health**, **Endangerment** and **Structure** in the setting.

- The Family Composition, Imminent Risk, Capacity, Notes and Post-Assessment sections are intended for additional information about the hoarded environment, the occupants and their capacity/strength to address the problem.