

Juvenile Justice Screening and Assessment Tools

- New **Risk Screening and Mental Health Screening Requirements** effective October 1, 2024: [MCL 722.823.amended](#), [722.826.amended](#) and [722.829.amended](#).
- New **Risk and Needs Assessment Requirements** effective October 1, 2024: [MCL 712A.18.amended](#).

Risk and Needs Assessments	<p>MJJAS* (Michigan Juvenile Justice Assessment System)</p> <p>The MJJAS is a structured risk assessment tool that identifies the likelihood of a youth engaging in future criminal behavior and informs appropriate risk classification. The MJJAS is the designated risk assessment system for juvenile justice youth under the care and supervision of MDHHS. The MJJAS has five tools in their suite: diversion, detention, disposition, residential, and reentry. <i>Training and certification is required in order to administer tool.</i></p>
	<p>YASI (Youth Assessment and Screening Instrument)</p> <p>The YASI measures a youth’s level of risk, needs, responsivity factors and strengths to guide early decision-making during the juvenile intake process. The YASI looks to identify both the dynamic (changeable) and static (unchangeable risk factors of youth to assist professionals with determining risk to recidivate, manage caseloads and target services to youth with higher needs. <i>Training and certification is required in order to administer tool.</i></p>
	<p>YLS/CMI (Youth Level of Service/Case Management Inventory)</p> <p>The YLS/CMI is a gender and culturally-informed strengths-focused risk/needs tool that classifies and predicts re-offending within juvenile populations. <i>Training and certification is required in order to administer tool.</i></p>
Risk Screening Tools	<p>MJJAS – Diversion (Michigan Juvenile Justice Assessment System)</p>
	<p>YASI – Pre Screen (Youth Assessment and Screening Instrument)</p>
	<p>YLS/CMI Short Form (Youth Level of Service/Case Management Inventory)</p>
Mental Health Screening Tools	<p>MAYSI-2 (Massachusetts Youth Screening Instrument)</p> <p>The MAYSI-2 is a brief behavioral health screening tool designed especially for juvenile justice programs and facilities. It identifies youths 12 through 17 years old who may have important, pressing behavioral needs. Its primary use is in juvenile probation, diversion programs, and intake in juvenile detention or corrections. <i>Formal training and certification is not required in order to administer tool.</i></p>
	<p>CAFAS (Child and Adolescent Functional Assessment Scale)</p> <p>The CAFAS is used in assessing a youth’s day-to-day functioning across critical life subscales and for determining whether a youth’s functioning improves overtime. The CAFAS is widely used to inform decisions about level of care, type and intensity of treatment, placement, and need for referral. <i>Training and certification is required in order to administer tool.</i></p>
	<p>CANS (Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths)</p> <p>The CANS is a multi-purpose tool developed for children’s services to support decision making, including level of care and supervision planning, facilitate quality improvement initiatives, and to allow for the monitoring of outcomes of services. <i>Training and certification is required in order to administer tool.</i></p>

Risk Screening Tools Being Used in MI	Number of Courts Using Risk Screening Tool
MJJAS	17
YLS	17
YASI	5
<i>Total</i>	41

Mental Health Screening Tools Being Used in MI	Number of Courts Using Mental Health Screening Tool
MAYSI-2	19
CAFAS	4
CANS	3
<i>Total</i>	26

Risk and Needs Assessments Being Used in MI	Number of Courts Using Assessments
MJJAS	25
YLS	24
YASI	5
Both YLS and MJJAS	4
<i>Total</i>	54