

# 2025 Illinois Medicaid Crisis Assessment Tool (IM-CAT) – Summary of Changes

The Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) has provided an updated version of the Illinois Medicaid Crisis Assessment Tool (IM-CAT). All providers should transition to using the new version of the IM-CAT by **May 1, 2025**. A summary of changes is provided below:

## General Document Changes:

- New demographic fields have been added and/or updated to provide space to document preferred/chosen identity information
- A new field titled “team response” has been added to the screening section
- The “transfers” box has been removed
- The Mental Status Exam is now consistent with the version available on the IM+CANS. More checkbox items and categories have been added.
- Early childhood items have been adjusted throughout to reflect age range as 0-5

## Risk Behaviors Domain

- New Item: Victimization/Exploitation
- Flight risk and Runaway items have been merged into one item
- Suicide Risk item now generates a Suicide Risk Module when item is rated 1, 2, or 3.
- Community Safety item has been removed

## Behavioral/Emotional Needs Domain

- Atypical Repetitive Behaviors item is now a lifespan item
- Attachment Difficulties item has been removed
- New Item: Mania 6+

## Functioning Needs Domain

- The 0-5 Elimination early childhood item has replaced the 0-6 Feeding/Elimination item
- The age range for the Employment item has changed to 16+

## Protection Domain

- This domain has moved locations and now comes after the Caregiver Resources and Needs domain

## Caregiver Resources and Needs Domain

- The Social Resources item has been removed