

## Diagnosis of Conduct Disorder

According to DSM-IV criteria, conduct disorder is a repetitive and persistent pattern of behavior in which the basic rights of others, or major rules and values of society are violated, as shown by the presence of three (or more) of the following behavior patterns in the past 12 months, with at least one behavior pattern present in the past six months

<b>Aggression to People and Animals</b>	<b>Destruction of Property</b>	<b>Deceitfulness or theft</b>	<b>Serious Violations of rules</b>
<p>1. Often bullies or threatens or intimidates others</p> <p>2. Often initiates physical fights</p> <p>3. Has used a weapon that can cause serious physical harm to others (for example, a bat, brick, broken bottle, knife, gun).</p> <p>4. Has been physically cruel to people</p> <p>5. Has been physically cruel to animals</p> <p>6. Has stolen while confronting a victim (for example, mugging, purse snatching, extortion, armed robbery).</p> <p>7. Has forced someone into sexual activity</p>	<p>8. Has deliberately engaged in setting fires with the intention of causing serious damage.</p> <p>9. Has deliberately destroyed others' property (other than by fire setting).</p>	<p>10. Has broken into someone else's house, building, or car</p> <p>11. Often lies to obtain goods or favors or to avoid obligations (in other words, "cons" others</p> <p>12. Has stolen items of nontrivial value without confronting a victim (for example, shoplifting without burglary, forgery).</p>	<p>13. Often stays out at night despite parental prohibitions</p> <p>14. Has run away from home overnight at least twice while living in parental or parental surrogate home (or once without returning for a lengthy period)</p> <p>15. Is often truant from school, beginning before age 13 years.</p>