Serious Illness Conversation Assessment Tool

Use this form to take notes while observing another clinician during a SI Conversation. Provide feedback.

Component	Description	Comments:
Identify for SI conversation	 Accurately identifies criteria that qualified patient for SI conversation 	
Introduces Conversation (Step 1)	 Describes the purpose of the conversation- align care with goals if patient were to get sicker 	
Discusses Understanding of Health (Step 2)	 Elicits patient understanding of current health condition Uses probes as needed 	
Elicits Values and Goals of Care (Step 3)	 What would be most important if patient gets sicker? What do they hope for their medical care? Concerns or worries about medical condition? Tradeoffs – what are they willing to go through for the possibility of more time? 	
Makes a Plan (Step 4)	 Elicits how much family and doctor know about priorities and wishes Affirms or troubleshoots barriers Documents in place and in EMR? 	
Summarizes (Step 5)	 Reviews what patient verbalized as most important Reviews who they need to talk to about what is important to them Reviews forms needed to complete 	
Close and Follow- up Plan (Step 6)	 How did the conversation make them feel? What were some thoughts about what they talked about? Other next steps? 	

Debrief the conversation as follows, with self-reflections first and observer feedback second:

One thing that went well that I/you should continue doing in the future is ...

One thing that I/you may want to do differently in the future is ...