## **Am I Experiencing Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)?**

## PTSD should only be diagnosed by a mental health professional or a doctor. However, answering the questions below can give you an idea of whether you might find it helpful to have a professional assessment.

Have you ever experienced something unusually or especially frightening, horrible, or traumatic, such as being in a road traffic accident, or being physically or sexually assaulted?	□ Yes	🗆 No
If you answered yes, please answer the questions below about how you have felt in the past month.		
Have you had nightmares about the event(s) or thought about the event(s) when you did not want to?	□ Yes	🗆 No
Have you tried hard not to think about the event(s) or gone out of your way to avoid situations that reminded you of the event(s)?	□ Yes	🗆 No
Have you been constantly on guard, watchful, or easily startled?	□ Yes	□ No
Have you felt numb or detached from people, activities, or your surroundings?	□ Yes	□ No
Have you felt guilty or unable to stop blaming yourself or others for the event(s) or any problems the event(s) may have caused?	□ Yes	🗆 No

If you answered "yes" to the first question, and to three or more of the other questions, you may be experiencing post-traumatic stress disorder. You might find it helpful to speak to your general practitioner, or a mental health professional about how you're feeling.