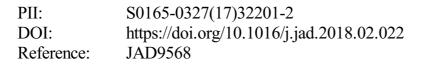
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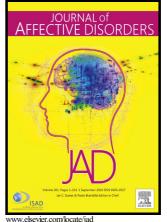


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#### **Background.**

Research suggests that screening for suicidality does not have iatrogenic effects; however, less is known regarding the impact of repeatedly screening for suicidal ideation among individuals with varying levels of exposure to these screenings. This staggered sequential study evaluated whether suicidal ideation severity increases with repeated screening for suicidal ideation and depression symptoms.

#### Methods.

Undergraduates (N=207) were recruited at one of four time points (baseline [n=37], 1 month later [n=61], 4 months later [n=55], and 12 months later [n=54]) to complete the selfreport Beck Depression Inventory (BDI). Participants completed the BDI at the time point at which they were recruited and all subsequent study time points. Non-parametric tests were employed to compare suicidal ideation severity (BDI Item 9) and depression symptom severity (BDI total score): (1) within each group across time points and (2) within each time point across groups. Download English Version:

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