The Intake Interview: Goals and Areas to Cover

I. "Connecting" with the Patient

II. Information Gathering
   A. Presenting Problem
   B. History of the Presenting Problem
   C. Patient's Goals
   D. Past Treatment
   E. Why Now?
   F. Situational Determinants
   G. The "Worst of Times"
   H. The "Best of Times"
   I. Self-Perception
   J. Diagnostic Information
   K. Family History of Psychological Problems and Treatment
   L. Social History
      1. Family or Origin
      2. History of Romantic Relationships
      3. History with Peers
   M. Medical History and Treatment of Patient and of Family
   N. Educational History
   O. Occupational History
   P. Behavioral Observations
   Q. Brief Feedback to Patient and Concluding the Intake