



Table 7.1-4
Features Weighting Toward Good to Poor
Prognosis in Schizophrenia

Good Prognosis

Late onset
Obvious precipitating factors
Acute onset
Good premorbid social,
sexual, and work histories
Mood disorder symptoms
(especially depressive
disorders)
Married
Family history of mood
disorders
Good support systems
Positive symptoms

Poor Prognosis

Young onset
No precipitating factors
Insidious onset
Poor premorbid social, sexual,
and work histories
Withdrawn, autistic behavior
Single, divorced, or widowed
Family history of
schizophrenia
Poor support systems
Negative symptoms
Neurological signs and
symptoms
History of perinatal trauma
No remissions in 3 years
Many relapses
History of assaultiveness
