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Measurement Scale Fact Sheet

Partner Abuse Scale: Physical (PASPH)

The Partner Abuse Scale: Physical, or PASPH, scale measures the degree or magnitude of perceived physical abuse which a client receives from a spouse or partner. The PASPH scale was developed for use with heterosexual and homosexual couples who are dating or who live together as a married or unmarried couple.

Score Interpretation

The scale produces scores that range from 0 to 100. For all practical purposes the scores can be regarded as true ratio scale values.

Cutting Scores

A clinical cutting score is not presently available for the scale. It is strongly suspected that the cutting score will be considerably lower than 30 although data are not yet available to confirm that. We offer this conjecture primarily to suggest that cutting score of 30 must not be presumed. Clinical evidence to date indicates the clinical cutting score could be as low as 15 but this has not yet been confirmed through systematic research.

Reliability

This scale consistently achieves an Alpha coefficient of .90 or larger.

Validity

This scale has been investigated with respect to content, construct, factorial, and known groups validity. It nearly always achieves validity coefficients of .60 or greater.

Readability Statistics

Flesch Reading Ease: 79; Gunning's Fog Index: 7; Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level: 5.

References

The following references provide the currently available research evidence concerning the psychometric characteristics for this measure.

Hudson, MacNeil, & Dierks, 1995; Attala, Hudson, & McSweeney, 1994; Attala, Oetker, & McSweeney, 1995.



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PASPH

PARTNER ABUSE SCALE(PASPH)

Name _____

Date _____

This questionnaire is designed to measure the physical abuse you have experienced in your relationship with your partner. It is not a test, so there are no right or wrong answers. Answer each item carefully and as accurately as you can, placing a number beside each one as follows:

SAMPLE

- 1 = None of the time
- 2 = Very rarely
- 3 = A little of the time
- 4 = Some of the time
- 5 = A good part of the time
- 6 = Most of the time
- 7 = All of the time

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1. _____ My partner physically forces me to have sex.
 2. _____
 3. _____ My partner hits and punches my arms and body.
 4. _____ My partner threatens me with a weapon.
 5. _____
 6. _____
 7. _____ My partner beats me when he or she drinks.
 8. _____
 9. _____
 10. _____
 11. _____ My partner beats me in the face so that I am ashamed to be seen in public.
 12. _____
 13. _____
 14. _____
 15. _____ My partner knocks me down and then kicks or stomps me.
 16. _____ My partner twists my fingers, arms, or legs.
 17. _____
 18. _____
 19. _____ My partner violently pinches or twists my skin.
 20. _____ My partner hurts me while we are having sex.
 21. _____
 22. _____
 23. _____ My partner pokes or jabs me with pointed objects.
 24. _____ My partner has broken one or more of my bones.
 25. _____