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**INSTRUMENT TITLE:** Conflict Tactics Scales (CTS)

**SOURCE ARTICLE:** Barling, J., O'leary, K. D., Jouriles, E. N., Vivian, D., & MacEwen, K. E. (1987). Factor similarity of the Conflict Tactics Scales across samples, spouses, and sites: Issues and implications. *Journal of Family Violence*, 2(1), 37-54.

**POPULATION:** Men and Women (couples)

**RESPONSE OPTIONS:** 3-point rating scale (0 = no aggression; 1 = a single instance of the aggressive act; 2 = two or more instances of the aggression).

**SCORING:** N/A

**SURVEY ITEMS:** This instrument has already been formatted by the author. Please see attached.

**RELIABILITY INFORMATION:**

Cronbach's  $\alpha$ :

Study 1 – Husbands  $\alpha = 0.76$ , Wives  $\alpha = 0.78$

Study 2 – N/A

**VALIDITY INFORMATION:** Factor structure was tested and results revealed a two-factor solution.

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### CTS Item

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15. Hit/trying to hit her with a fist
16. Beat her up
14. Kicked/bit/hit her with a fist
11. Threw something at her
13. Slapped her
17. *Threatened* her with a knife/gun
9. *Threatened* to hit her or throw something at her
12. Pushed, grabbed or shoved her
4. Insulted or swore at her
8. Did/said something in spite of her
6. Stomped out of the room/house/yard
5. Sulked or refused to talk about an issue
10. Threw/smashed/hit/kicked something
7. Cried
3. Brought in or tried to bring in someone to help settle things
2. Got information to back up your side of things
1. Discussed issue calmly

Eigenvalue:

Variance:

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