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INSTRUMENT TITLE: The Lesbian Partner Abuse Scale and Lesbian Partner Abuse Scale-Revised

SOURCE ARTICLE:

McClennen, J. C., Summers, A. B., & Daley, J. G. (2002). The lesbian partner abuse scale. Research on Social Work Practice, 12(2), 277-292.

POPULATION:

Lesbian women

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

Responses are recorded on a 7-point scale, ranging from "never" to "all of the time."

SCORING:

For the LE-PAS-R, scoring consists of adding the numbers that the respondent has assigned to each item; no reverse scoring is needed. The higher the score, the more potential the relationship has for being abusive. A score of 60 is suggested to alert clinicians to the potential of partner abuse existing within a lesbian relationship.

SURVEY ITEMS:

LE-PAS: 135 items

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LE-PAS-R: 25 items. This instrument has already been formatted by the author. Please see attached.

RELIABILITY INFORMATION:

Cronbach's α:

LE-PAS: 0.99

LE-PAS-R: 0.94

VALIDITY INFORMATION:

The following methods were used to assess validity:

- LE-PAS:
 - Criterion-related validity (General Contentment Scale, Index of Self-Esteem)
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FACTOR ANALYSIS:

Factor analysis resulted in a six-factor solution for the LE-PAS-R.

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APPENDIX THE LESBIAN PARTNER ABUSE SCALE-REVISED (LE-PAS-R)

This questionnaire asks questions about different aspects of your relationship with your partner. The items ask your opinion of your partner's feelings and behaviors. Answer each question as carefully and as accurately as you can by placing a number between 1 and 7 on the line before each question. Please choose the number that is most accurate about your situation from the choices below:

- 1 = Never
- 2 = Very rarely
- 3 = A little of the time
- 4 =Some of the time
- 5 = A good part of the time
- 6 = Very frequently

My partner . . .

1.____is demanding of me. 2.____is controlling of me. 3. _____drinks alcoholic beverages excessively.4. _____was sexually abused by someone in her family. 5._____often complains of physical illnesses. 6.____threatens to tell people, who do not know, that I am a lesbian. 7. is embarrassed that I come from a poorer family than she does. 8.____argues with me about trivial or silly matters. 9. drinks more than two alcoholic beverages daily. 10.____was physically abused by someone in her family. 11.____expects me to wait on her most of the time. 12. gets drunk. 13. has many physical illnesses that doctors cannot explain. 14.____says she will "out" me against my wishes. 15.____yells at me. 16. becomes abusive when drunk or high. 17._____is embarrassed about how much more she knows than I do. 18. needs to be in charge of my behaviors in social situations. 19. says ugly things to me when she is drunk or high. 20.____was emotionally abused by someone in her family. 21.____complains to me that she is ill but refuses to go to the doctor. 22.____gets angry if I spend time with my friends. 23._____is an angry drunk. 24.____comes from a family that used physical violence in arguments. _does not want me to discuss our relationship with my friends.