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### **INSTRUMENT TITLE:** Sexual Coercion in Intimate Relationships Scale (SCIRS)

**SOURCE ARTICLE:** Shackelford, T. K., & Goetz, A. T. (2004). Men's sexual coercion in intimate relationships: Development and initial validation of the Sexual Coercion in Intimate Relationships Scale. *Violence and victims*, *19*(5), 541-556.

**POPULATION:** men and women in committed intimate relationships, general population

**RESPONSE OPTIONS:** 6-point Likert scale to which the participant indicates how often in the past month each of 34 acts have occurred in the participant's current intimate relationship. Values are defined as follows: 0 = Act did not occur in the past month, 1 = Act occurred 1 time in the past month, 2 = Act occurred 2 times in the past month, 3 = Act occurred 3 to 5 times in the past month, 4 = Act occurred 6 to 10 times in the past month, 5 = Act occurred 11 or more times in the past month.

**SCORING:** N/A

### **SURVEY ITEMS:**

- 1. My partner threatened violence against me if I did not have sex with him.
- 2. My partner threatened to physically force me to have sex with him.
- 3. My partner physically forced me to have sex with him.
- 4. My partner hinted that I was cheating on him, in an effort to get me to have sex with him.
- 5. My partner gave me gifts or other benefits so that I would feel obligated to have

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sex with him.

- 6. My partner reminded me of gifts or other benefits he gave me so that I would feel obligated to have sex with him.
- 7. My partner threatened to pursue a long-term relationship with another woman if I did not have sex with him.
- 8. My partner accused me of cheating on him, in an effort to get me to have sex with him.
- 9. My partner initiated sex with me when I was unaware (for example, I was asleep, drunk, or on medication) and continued against my will.
- 10. My partner threatened to withhold benefits that I depend on if I did not have sex with him.
- 11. My partner told me that it was my obligation or duty to have sex with him.
- 12. My partner hinted that he would give me gifts or other benefits if I had sex with him.
- 13. My partner withheld benefits that I depend on to get me to have sex with him.
- 14. My partner hinted that he would withhold benefits that I depend on if I did not have sex with him.
- 15. My partner threatened violence against someone or something I care about if I did not have sex with him.
- 16. My partner persisted in asking me to have sex with him, even though he knew that I did not want to.
- 17. My partner hinted that if I loved him I would have sex with him.
- 18. My partner told me that if I loved him I would have sex with him.
- 19. My partner told me that if I were truly committed to him I would have sex with him
- 20. My partner hinted that if I were truly committed to him I would have sex with him
- 21. My partner pressured me to have sex with him against my will.
- 22. My partner told me that other couples have sex more than we do, to make me feel

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like I should have sex with him.

- 23. My partner made me feel obligated to have sex with him.
- 24. My partner and I had sex, even though I did not want to.
- 25. My partner hinted that it was my obligation or duty to have sex with him.
- 26. My partner told me that other women were interested in a relationship with him, so that I would have sex with him.
- 27. My partner told me that other women were willing to have sex with him, so that I would have sex with him.
- 28. My partner hinted that other women were interested in having sex with him, so that I would have sex with him.
- 29. My partner hinted that other women were willing to have sex with him, so that I would have sex with him.
- 30. My partner told me that other women were interested in having sex with him, so that I would have sex with him.
- 31. My partner hinted that he would have sex with another woman if I did not have sex with him.
- 32. My partner hinted that he might pursue a long-term relationship with another woman if I did not have sex with him.
- 33. My partner threatened to have sex with another woman if I did not have sex with him.

**RELIABILITY INFORMATION:** Cronbach's  $\alpha$ = 0.96

**VALIDITY INFORMATION:** Convergent validity assessed with Violence Assessment Index, correlations were positive and statistically significant.

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