POST DEPLOYMENT SOCIAL SUPPORT ASSESSMENT



POST DEPLOYMENT SOCIAL SUPPORT SCALE

Source: The items are from the 15-item Post Deployment Social Support Scale. Public Domain

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Scale Description: The Post Deployment Social Support Scale is a subscale of the full Deployment Risk and Resiliency Inventory (DRRI).

Scoring and Algorithm

Note: For each assessment, there is an algorithm leading to one of three acuity ranges: Low, Moderate, and High. The logic for the user receiving specific feedback is included in the algorithms below.

These items are all scored on a scale of 1-5. Total score is sum of all 15 items as scored below. Possible range is 15-75.

For items #6 and #8, items are scored:

Strongly disagree = 5 Disagree = 4 Neither agree nor disagree = 3 Agree = 2 Strongly agree = 1

For all other items (#1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #7, #9, #10, #11, #12, #13, #14, #15), items are scored as follows:

Strongly disagree = 1 Disagree = 2 Neither agree nor disagree = 3 Agree = 4 Strongly agree = 5

Algorithm

60-75 High Acuity

40-59 Moderate Acuity

15-39 Low Acuity

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The statements below refer to social support after deployment. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with each statement.

		Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither S agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree
1.	The reception I received when I returned from my deployment made me feel appreciated for my efforts.					
2.	The American people made me feel at home when I returned.					
3.	When I returned, people made me feel proud to have served my country in the Armed Forces.					
4.	I am carefully listened to and understood by family members or friends.					
5.	Among my family or relatives, there is someone who makes me feel better when I am feeling down.					
6.	I have problems that I can't discuss with family or friends.					
7.	Among my friends or relatives, there is someone I go to when I need good advice.					
8.	People at home just don't understand what I have been through in the Armed Forces.					
9.	There are people to whom I can talk about my deployment experiences.					
10.	The people I work with respect the fact that I am a veteran or service member.					
11.	My supervisor understands when I need time to take off to take care of personal matters.					
12.	My friends or relatives would lend me money if I needed it.					
13.	My friends or relatives would help me					

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move my belongings if I needed to.						
14. When I am unable to attend to daily chores, there is someone who will help me with these tasks.						
15. When I am ill, friends or family members will help out until I am well.						

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