Inventory of Suicide Orientation (ISO-30)

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As a suicide risk evaluation tool, the Inventory of Suicide Orientation-30 is used by psychologists, licensed social workers, and licensed counselors. The ISO-30 is based on measurements of hopelessness and suicide outlook. The instrument helps with identifying suicidal adolescents, encouraging counseling and communication, and monitors suicidal symptoms.

Ten minutes is required to complete the 30-item survey using a 4-point rating scale. The ISO-30 is intended for adolescents from the ages of 13-18 years old. Testing can be done on the computer or with paper-and-pencil.

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Reliability and Validity

According on the King and Kowalchuk 1994 study, the test-retest reliability over 3 to 4 days was 0.80 for the total score and 0.70 for the critical items of the ISO-30. Also, dependent on the same study, the internal consistency for a clinical and student sample of adolescents was 0.90 showing high reliability. Test from the same samples, the concurrent validity was calculated to be .64 and 0.52 when correlated with the SIQ instrument; .55 and .78 with the SIQ-JR version.

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