# Symptom Checklist-90 Revised (SCL-90-R)

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**The Symptom Checklist-90 Revised** is a method to evaluate psychological problems and identify symptoms. This instrument is also used by psychologists, psychiatrists, mental health, medical, and educational professionals for monitoring the patient's progress or treatment outcome.

Participants are required to respond to the 90 items in the Symptom Checklist-90 Revised using a 5-point rating scale. Approximately 12-15 minutes is necessary for completion. Testing can be done with a computer, audio-cassette, or paper-and-pencil. Individual of 13 years or older are recommended for accurate test results. Another name for the Symptom Checklist-90 Revised is the Global Severity Index.

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# **Reliability and Validity**

The Symptom Checklist-90 Revised is an established instrument and has over 1,000 independent studies supporting is reliability and validity. The internal consistency coefficient rating ranged from 0.90 for Depression and 0.77 for Psychoticism. Test-retest reliability has been reported at 0.80 to 0.90 with a time interval of one week. All nine primary subscales are well correlated with the Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory. The Symptom Checklist-90 Revised was also correlated with the IIP, 0.73, and the SAS, 0.69 (Pearson).

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