Life Closure Scale (LCS)  

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The Life Closure Scale, or LCS, is an instrument developed for assessing psychological symptoms that occur during the dying process. The LCS focuses on two subscales – self-reconciled and self-reconstructing. Overall, the purpose for the instrument is to describe pain in terminal care groups and the cause for that pain.  

The LCS test includes 45-items using a 5-point Likert scale responses.  

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Validity and Reliability  

Based on independent studies, the content validity in LCS was calculated to be 0.83. The instrument had a 0.85 (self-reconciled) and 0.86 (self-reconstructing) internal consistency rating (alpha coefficient); in addition, it had a 0.75 correlation rating with the measure of quality of life and -.60 with other depression tools.  

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