

Name of Tool:	Victim Index (VI)
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Description:	<p>This test is designed for the assessment of victims of physical and mental abuse or domestic violence. The Victim Index (VI) has 147 items that comprise eight scales (measures) which include:</p> <table border="0" style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>Truthfulness Scale</td> <td>Resistance Scale</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Morale Scale</td> <td>Suicide Ideation Scale</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Distress Scale</td> <td>Substance Abuse Scale</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Self-Esteem Scale</td> <td>Stress Coping Abilities Scale</td> </tr> </table> <p>The Victim Index is different from other Behavior Data Systems tests in that it is designed to screen victims of physical and/or mental abuse and is appropriate for both adult male and female clients. In addition to obvious areas of inquiry, the Victim Index assesses client resistance, substance (alcohol and other drugs) abuse and suicide potential.</p> <p>Scores are used to classify risk into four categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low Risk • Medium Risk • Problem Risk and • Severe Problem <p>These classifications, along with clinical judgment, are used to inform treatment recommendations.</p> <p>Truthfulness Scale detects offender denial, problem minimization, and response bias.</p> <p>Demonstrated reliability and validity.</p>	Truthfulness Scale	Resistance Scale	Morale Scale	Suicide Ideation Scale	Distress Scale	Substance Abuse Scale	Self-Esteem Scale	Stress Coping Abilities Scale
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Tool Development	<p>A summary of scientific findings is available for download.</p>								
General Notes:	<p>VI is a computerized assessment that provides clinicians with a printed report that includes percentile scores, risk classification, and item responses.</p> <p>Tests can be administered individually or in group settings.</p> <p>The VI takes approximately 25 minutes to complete.</p>								