

TCU SIMPATIA SCALE

INSTRUCTIONS: Circle the number that best reflects your answer.

During the <u>past 3 months</u>, how often --	NEVER	SOME- RARELY	TIMES	OFTEN	ALWAYS
1. did <u>you</u> think that your counselor said positive things to you?	0	1	2	3	4
2. did <u>you</u> put down the culture of others?.....	0	1	2	3	4
3. did <u>you</u> openly disagree with others?.....	0	1	2	3	4
4. did <u>you</u> trust the judgment of your counselor?.....	0	1	2	3	4
5. did <u>your counselor</u> do things that you thought were rude or insulting?.....	0	1	2	3	4
6. did <u>you</u> treat others as your equal?.....	0	1	2	3	4
7. did <u>you</u> try to avoid conflict with others?	0	1	2	3	4
8. did <u>you</u> think about disagreeing with your counselor?.....	0	1	2	3	4
9. did <u>you</u> think your counselor should have been more polite?.....	0	1	2	3	4
10. did <u>you</u> say good things about your counselor when talking to others?.....	0	1	2	3	4
11. were <u>you</u> polite to others?	0	1	2	3	4
12. did <u>you</u> point out the positive qualities of others?.....	0	1	2	3	4
13. did <u>you</u> do favors for others?	0	1	2	3	4
14. did <u>you</u> disagree with what the counselor said?.....	0	1	2	3	4
15. did <u>you</u> think that your counselor's opinions were different from yours?.....	0	1	2	3	4
16. did <u>you</u> think that your counselor treated others with respect?.....	0	1	2	3	4
17. did <u>your counselor</u> do things that made you feel comfortable?.....	0	1	2	3	4

Scoring Guide for the TCU SIMPATIA SCALE

*[for assessing agreeableness, respect of others, and politeness
as social attributes of Hispanic substance abusers in treatment]*

During the past 3 months, how often --

1. did you think that your counselor said positive things to you?
2. did you put down the culture of others? ®
3. did you openly disagree with others? ®
4. did you trust the judgment of your counselor?
5. did your counselor do things that you thought were rude or insulting? ®
6. did you treat others as your equal?
7. did you try to avoid conflict with others?
8. did you think about disagreeing with your counselor? ®
9. did you think your counselor should have been more polite? ®
10. did you say good things about your counselor when talking to others?
11. were you polite to others?
12. did you point out the positive qualities of others?
13. did you disagree with what the counselor said? ®
14. did you do favors for others?
15. did you think that your counselor's opinions were different from yours? ®
16. did you think that your counselor treated others with respect?
17. did your counselor do things that made you feel comfortable?

[**Note.** ® designates items with reflected scoring.]

Scoring Instructions:

1. Sum scores for all items (values 0-4), being careful to use reverse scoring for "reflected items."
2. Scoring can be for *total scale* or for *subscales*, with higher scores indicating higher level of scale attributes.
 - Total SIMPATIA scale (all 17 items): Score range = 0-68;
Coefficient alpha (internal consistency) = .80*
 - *Agreeableness* subscale (#2, 3, 5, 8, 9, 14, 15): Score range = 0-28
Coefficient alpha (internal consistency) = .72*
 - *Respect* subscale (#1, 4, 10, 12, 16, 17): Score range = 0-24
Coefficient alpha (internal consistency) = .71*
 - *Politeness* subscale (#6, 7, 11, 13): Score range = 0-16
Coefficient alpha (internal consistency) = .70*

*Based on 144 daily opioid users in methadone treatment (mean age of 41, and 65% male), reported in Griffith, JD, Joe, GW, Chatham, LR, & Simpson, DD. (1998). The development and validation of a *Simpatia* Scale for Hispanics entering drug treatment. *Hispanic Journal of Behavioral Science*, 20(4), 468-482.