

Reference:

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Scoring

This scale provides a single total score.

Reversed scored items are 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8

The scale total score ranges from 8-32 with higher scores indicating greater perceived stigma

Language Update

Unity Recovery RCO, 2020

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Please read each statement carefully and circle the number below the item that indicates the degree of your agreement or disagreement with each statement. Please use the scale below, and please do not omit any item.

1. Most people would willingly accept someone who has been treated for substance use as a close friend.

1	2	3	4
Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree

2. Most people believe that someone who has been treated for substance use is just as trustworthy as the average citizen.

1	2	3	4
Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree

3. Most people would accept someone who has been treated for substance use as a teacher of young children in a public school.

1	2	3	4
Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree

4. Most people would hire someone who has been treated for substance use to take care of their children.

1	2	3	4
Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree

5. Most people think less of a person who has been in treatment for substance use.

1	2	3	4
Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree

6. Most employers will hire someone who has been treated for substance use if he or she is qualified for the job.

1	2	3	4
Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree

7. Most employers will pass over the application of someone who has been treated for substance use in favor of another applicant.

1	2	3	4
Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree

8. Most people would be willing to date someone who has been treated for substance use.

1	2	3	4
Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree