





Applications

Assesses psychopathological syndromes

Provides information relevant for clinical diagnosis, treatment planning, and screening for psychopathology

Appropriate for ages 18 years and older

Personality Assessment Inventory[™] (PAI[®])

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Overview

- Provides an objective, multiscale inventory of adult personality.
- Manual includes an expanded discussion of administration considerations and a variety of strategies for interpreting clinical data.
- Included PAI Administration Folio provides a hard surface for both Item Booklet and Answer Sheet for situations in which there is no desk available (e.g., when patients are bedridden).
- All 22 scales are nonoverlapping, promoting high discriminant validity.
- Clinical scales feature 11 clinical constructs divided into three broad classes: the neurotic spectrum, the psychotic spectrum, and behavior disorder/impulse control problems.
- Indicators of potential crisis situations are identified by 27 critical items.
- Features five treatment consideration scales, four validity scales, and two interpersonal scales.
- Written at a 4th grade reading level.
- Available in Spanish.

Administration

- Administer in 50-60 minutes.
- Qualification level C.
- Administer with paper and pencil, online 24/7 via PARiConnect, or with available audio administration CD.

Scoring and Reporting

- Hand score in 15-20 minutes.
- Online scoring and reporting is available 24/7 via PARiConnect.
- Interpretive software (PAI-SP) provides comprehensive individualized reports. Separate interpretive reports are available for law enforcement and correctional settings.

Reliability, Validity & Norms

- Internal consistency was high across three large samples: community-dwelling adults (*N* = 1,000); patients from 69 clinical sites (*N* = 1,246), and college students (*N* = 1,051).
- Validity studies demonstrate convergent and discriminant validity with more than 50 other measures of psychopathology.
- Test-retest reliability coefficients ranged from .66 to .94 on the clinical scales over a period of 2 to 4 weeks.

PAI Scales and Subscales			
Validity scales Inconsistency Infrequency Negative Impression Positive Impression	Clinical scales Somatic Complaints Conversion Somatization Health Concerns Anxiety Cognitive Affective Physiological Anxiety-Related Disorders	Paranoia Hypervigilance Persecution Resentment Schizophrenia Psychotic Experiences Social Detachment Thought Disorder Borderline Features	Treatment Consideration scalesAggression Aggressive Attitude Verbal Aggression Physical AggressionSuicidal IdeationStressNonsupport Treatment RejectionInterpersonal scalesDominance Warmth
	Obsessive-Compulsive Phobias Traumatic Stress Depression Cognitive Affective Physiological Mania Activity Level Grandiosity Irritability	Affective Instability Identity Problems Negative Relationships Self-Harm Antisocial Features Antisocial Behaviors Egocentricity Stimulus-Seeking Alcohol Problems Drug Problems	