

**Adult Focused** 



**Item Count:** 10 items



Completion Time: 5 min



Self-Report

### General Info

The ACE questionnaire assesses early exposure to negative experiences that occur prior to the age of 18. It can be used to determine aspects of adversity that impacts one in present day.

The descriptive classifications are provided are a guideline. These results are not clinical diagnoses. Please see the provided resources for more information about the measure development.

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# **Adverse Childhood Experiences**

Item scores are calculated using the following response guide. A total score is created by adding each individual participant response score. Each participant response of "Yes" is equal to 1 ACE.

The ACE questionnaire does not have descriptive classifications for scores, however typically a score of 4 or more ACEs can indicate health problems, substance use concerns, and difficulty in social relationships.

### Adverse Childhood Experiences

#### What are Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)?

Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) are stressful or traumatic events in a young person's life that can have an impact on their future health and wellbeing. ACEs are strongly related to the development and prevalence of a wide range of health problems throughout a person's lifespan, including those associated with substance use problems.



#### ACEs include...

- Physical abuse
- Sexual abuse
- Emotional abuse
- Emotional neglect
- Parental separation or divorce
  Maternal domestic abuse
- · Parental substance use
- Parental incarceration
   Parent with mental health issue

### For More Information

https://www.cdc.gov/aces/about/index.html

https://www.who.int/publications/m/item/adverse-childhood-experiences-internationalquestionnaire (ace-iq)

