

IMPACT OF EVENT SCALE-REVISED

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Instructions: Below is a list of difficulties people sometimes have after stressful life events.

Please read each item and then indicate how distressing each difficulty has been for you DURING THE PAST SEVEN DAYS with respect to _____, how much were you distressed or bothered by these difficulties?

Not at all=0, Little bit =1, Moderately=2, Quite a bit = 3, Extremely= 4

Sr.No	Statement	0	1	2	3	4
1.	Any reminder brought back feelings about it					
2.	I had trouble staying asleep.					
3.	Other things kept making me think about it.					
4.	I felt irritable and angry.					
5.	I avoided letting myself get upset when I thought about it or was reminded of it.					
6.	I thought about it when I didn't mean to					
7.	I felt as if it hadn't happened or wasn't real					
8.	I stayed away from reminders about it.					
9.	Pictures about it popped into my mind.					
10	I was jumpy and easily startled.					
11	I tried not to think about it.					
12	I was aware that I still had a lot of feelings about it, but I didn't deal with them.					
13	My feelings about it were kind of numb.					
14	I found myself acting or feeling like I was back at that time.					
15	I had trouble falling asleep.					
16	I had waves of strong feelings about it.					
17	I tried to remove it from my memory.					
18	I had trouble concentrating.					
19	Reminders of it caused me to have physical reactions, such as sweating, trouble breathing.					
20	I had dreams about it.					
21	I felt watchful and on-guard.					
22	I tried not to talk about it.					

Avoidance Subscale = mean of items 5, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 17, 22

Intrusion Subscale = mean of items 1, 2, 3, 6, 9, 16, 20

Hyper arousal Subscale = mean of items 4, 10, 14, 15, 18, 19, 21

Note: The IES-R is not a diagnostic or screening tool for PTSD; rather, it relies on a patient's own report of symptoms and is used to gauge response no sooner than two weeks after a traumatic event, as well as to evaluate recovery.

Revised Impact of Event Scale (22 questions):

The revised version of the Impact of Event Scale (IES-r) has seven additional questions and a scoring range of 0 to 88.

On this test, scores that exceed 24 can be quite meaningful. High scores have the following associations.

Score (IES-r) Consequence

24 or more	PTSD is a clinical concern. ⁶ Those with scores this high who do not have full PTSD will have partial PTSD or at least some of the symptoms.
33 and above	This represents the best cutoff for a probable diagnosis of PTSD. ⁷
37 or more	This is high enough to suppress your immune system's functioning (even 10 years after an impact event). ⁸

The IES-R is very helpful in measuring the affect of routine life stress, everyday traumas and acute stress

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