Drug Attitude Inventory (DAI-30)

Purpose:

The DAI-30 is crafted to delve into one's perceptions and experiences concerning medications, primarily those related to mental health. By discerning attitudes towards these medications, we can better anticipate an individual's adherence, ensuring optimal care and understanding.

Population:

Adults

Source:

Derived from "A self-report scale predictive of drug compliance in schizophrenics: reliability and discriminative validity", by Hogan TP, Awad AG, and Eastwood R, published in Psychological Medicine (1983), 13, pp. 177-183.

Instructions for Completing the DAI-30:

- 1. **Reading & Understanding:** Carefully read through each statement presented.
- 2. **Your Personal Belief:** Decide if the statement is mainly true or false as it relates to your personal experiences and beliefs.
- 3. Marking Responses:
 - If you find a statement TRUE or LARGELY TRUE as per your experience, mark the 'T'.
 - If you deem a statement FALSE or LARGELY FALSE from your perspective, mark the 'F'.
- 4. **Accuracy:** Always ensure that you mark your genuine opinion, not what you think might be the expected answer.
- 5. **Time:** Spend only a minute or two per question, going with your initial instinct.
- 6. **Completeness:** Aim to respond to every question for the most accurate results.
- 7. **Specificity:** Remember, the medications mentioned are solely those intended for mental health.

Scoring Mechanism:

- The DAI-30 consists of 30 queries, with 15 scoring as True and 15 as False.
- Positive affirmations are scored as +1, and negative ones as -1.
- Your final score is the sum of the positives and negatives. This score is a reflection of your subjective orientation towards medication.

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No	Question	Response
1	Once I feel better, I no longer see the need to continue my medication.	□ T□ F
2	I firmly believe that the advantages of my medication far outweigh any potential disadvantages.	□ T□ F
3	Medications often make me feel detached or "out of it".	□ T □ F
4	I recognize the necessity of consistent medication, even outside of hospital environments.	□ T□ F
5	External pressures, rather than personal belief, drive my decision to take medications.	□ T□ F
6	On medication, I am more attuned to my surroundings and actions.	□ T□ F
7	I trust that the medications prescribed to me are safe and beneficial.	□ T□ F
8	My decision to consume medications is entirely voluntary.	□ T□ F
9	Medications instill a sense of relaxation in me.	□ T□ F

10	I don't perceive any change in myself, whether I'm on medication or not.	□ T □ F
11	I constantly experience the side effects of my medication.	□ T□ F
12	Medications tend to make me feel lethargic and slow.	□ T□ F
13	I resort to medication only when symptoms become unbearable.	□ T□ F
14	I view medications as potentially harmful in the long run.	□ T□ F
15	Social interactions become smoother for me when I'm medicated.	□ T□ F
16	My focus dwindles significantly when I'm on medication.	□ T □ F
17	I trust my judgment over doctors when deciding to halt medication.	□ T □ F
18	I feel more like my genuine self when I'm on medication.	□ T□ F
19	I'd prefer enduring illness over constant medication.	□ T □ F

20	Relying on medications to control my mind and body feels unnatural.	□ T □ F
21	Medication clarifies my thought process.	□ T□ F
22	Even during good phases, continuous medication is essential.	□ T□ F
23	Regular medication can avert potential mental breakdowns.	□ T□ F
24	The decision to stop my medication should rest with my doctor.	□ T□ F
25	Simple tasks seem daunting when I'm medicated.	□ T□ F
26	My mood and overall well-being enhance when I'm on medication.	□ T □ F
27	Others prescribe medication to me to curb behaviors they disapprove of.	□ T□ F
28	Medication prevents me from truly relaxing.	□ T □ F
29	I have better self-control and restraint when on medication.	□ T □ F

30	Regular medication intake is my shield against deteriorating health.	T
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