Drinker Inventory of Consequences (DrInC)

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**
The DrInC is a self-administered 50-item questionnaire designed to measure adverse consequences of alcohol abuse in five areas: Interpersonal, Physical, Social, Impulsive, and Intrapersonal. Each scale provides a lifetime and past 3-month measure of adverse consequences, and scales can be combined to assess total adverse consequences. Normative data are available for interpretation of client scale scores, and a brief version of the DrInC, the Short Index of Problems (SIP), is available when assessment time is limited.

**TARGET POPULATION**
- Adults
- □ Adolescents

**Groups for which this instrument might be especially helpful?**
The DrInC has been used in a variety of settings, including inpatient and outpatient alcohol treatment facilities, and with homeless and college populations. DrInC items span a full spectrum of adverse consequences ranging from those encountered by heavy social drinkers to severely alcohol-dependent individuals.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES**
- Number of items: 50
- Number of subscales: 5
- Format(s): □ Pencil-and-paper self-administered
  - □ Interview
  - □ Observation
  - □ Computer self-administered
  - □ Other
- Time required for administration: 10 minutes
- Administered by: Self
- □ Training required for administration? □ yes □ no

**Comments:** A Test Manual is available for the DrInC. The manual provides normative data for interpretation of total and subscales scores for a number of different populations (e.g., male, female, inpatient, outpatient). Simple directions are provided for scoring the DrInC, and parallel information is available on the SIP.
SCORING
Time required to score/interpret: 5 minutes
Scored by: Minimally trained technician
Computerized scoring or interpretation available? □ yes ☐ no
Norms available? ☒ yes ☐ no
Instrument normed on subgroups? ☒ yes ☐ no
Which groups? Inpatient and outpatient clients presenting for alcohol treatment, males and females

PSYCHOMETRICS
Have reliability studies been done? ☒ yes ☐ no
What measure(s) of reliability was used?
☒ Test-retest
☐ Split half
☒ Internal consistency
Have validity studies been done? ☒ yes ☐ no
What measures of validity have been derived?
☐ Content
☒ Criterion (predictive, concurrent, “postdictive”)
☒ Construct

CLINICAL UTILITY OF INSTRUMENT
The DrInC can be used for treatment planning and evaluation of treatment outcomes.

RESEARCH APPLICABILITY
The DrInC has been used in numerous alcohol treatment clinical trials as an outcome measure. Baseline and followup versions of the DrInC are available, and assessment timeframes can be easily modified to meet research needs.

SOURCE, COST AND COPYRIGHT ISSUES
Copyright: ☐ yes ☒ no
Cost: None
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