

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS about the CII and DPICS

1. Is it necessary to use the CII when we use the DPICS? What is the use/function of this questionnaire?

We have always used both measures together – the responses that we get on them are correlated for information about the scales and their relationships with each. It would be possible to use one or the other, but we currently could not make a recommendation about which to use since we always use both. If you are doing SEM analyses, it is nice to have the two corresponding scores.

2. How do we interpret the data from the CII? Is it about the correlations with the DPICS or do you use the data from the CII as a separate measure?

We either use the CII and DPICS scales in combination in an SEM construct, or we combine the two into a single construct score, or we look at pre-post change in each measure separately. You will see examples of all of these methods of analyses in our papers on the website. Which you use depends on your research question, the size of your sample and your knowledge of different statistical processes. In general, we get the same kinds of results with all methods of analyses.

3. How do you score the CII?

Scoring information is on the website. You may notice some differences between the scales on the site and the coding version you are using. These coding systems change somewhat between our projects (in minor ways) as we work to refine them. Each time we analyze data, we recheck our factor analyses and make sure that scales are internally consistent. We suggest that you do the same with your data. The scales on the website should be very helpful scoring guides.