Experiences in Close Relationship Scale-Short Form

Instruction: The following statements concern how you feel in romantic relationships. We are interested in how you generally experience relationships, not just in what is happening in a current relationship. Respond to each statement by indicating how much you agree or disagree with it. Mark your answer using the following rating scale:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Strongly Disagree Disagree Slightly Disagree Neutral Slightly Agree Agree Strongly Agree

1. It helps to turn to my romantic partner in times of need.

2. I need a lot of reassurance that I am loved by my partner.

3. I want to get close to my partner, but I keep pulling back.

4. I find that my partner(s) don't want to get as close as I would like.

5. I turn to my partner for many things, including comfort and reassurance.

6. My desire to be very close sometimes scares people away.

7. I try to avoid getting too close to my partner.

8. I do not often worry about being abandoned.

9. I usually discuss my problems and concerns with my partner.

10. I get frustrated if romantic partners are not available when I need them.

11. I am nervous when partners get too close to me.

12. I worry that romantic partners won't care about me as much as I care about them.

Scoring Information: Anxiety = 2, 4, 6, 8 (reverse), 10, 12 Avoidance = 1 (reverse), 3, 5 (reverse), 7, 9 (reverse), 11