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Structured Assessment of Violence Risk in Youth

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- Designed for adolescents ages 12-18
- Allows for consideration of developmental factors, and emphasizes the dynamic, contextual nature of risk.
- Not a formal test or scale. Designed for use as an aide or guide in risk assessment and Intervention planning.
- 24 risk items drawn from research on aggression, violence and adolescent development.
 - o Risk Factor Groupings: Historical, Social/Contextual, Individual
 - Each risk factor rated/coded as High, Moderate, or Low
 - Coding guidelines provided
- 6 Protective factors: rated present/absent

Historical:

- 1. History of Violence
- 2. History of Non-Violent Offending
- 3. Early Initiation of Violence
- 4. Past Supervision/Intervention Failures
- 5. History of Self-Harm or Suicide Attempts
- 6. Exposure to Violence in the Home
- 7. Childhood History of Maltreatment
- 8. Parental/Caregiver Criminality
- 9. Early Caregiver Disruption
- 10. Poor School Achievement

Social/Contextual Risk Factors:

- 11. Peer Delinquency
- 12. Peer Rejection
- 13. Stress and Poor Coping
- 14. Poor Parental Management
- 15. Lack of Personal/Social Support
- 16. Community Disorganization

Individual Risk Factors:

- 17. Negative Attitudes
- 18. Risk Taking/Impulsivity
- 19. Substance Use Difficulties
- 20. Anger Management Problems
- 21. Low Empathy/Remorse
- 22. Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Difficulties
- 23. Poor compliance
- 24. Low Interest/Commitment to School

Protective Factors:

- 1. Prosocial Involvement
- 2. Strong Social Support
- 3. Strong Attachments and Bonds
- 4. Positive Attitude Towards Intervention and Authority
- 5. Strong Commitment to School
- 6. Resilient Personality Traits