The Interpersonal Regulation Questionnaire (IRQ)

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Instructions:

Present all 16 items in <u>fully randomized order</u> with the following <u>7-point Likert scale</u>: (1) strongly disagree - (2) disagree - (3) somewhat disagree - (4) neither agree nor disagree - (5) somewhat agree - (6) agree - (7) strongly agree

Scoring:

To determine each sub-scale score, calculate the sum of responses to each group of four items. To determine the total score, calculate the sum of all four sub-scale scores.

Negative-Tendency (IRQ-NT)

- 1. When something bad happens, my first impulse is to seek out the company of others.
- 2. When I'm having trouble, I can't wait to tell someone about it.
- 3. I just have to get help from someone when things are going wrong.
- 4. I manage my emotions by expressing them to others.

Negative-Efficacy (IRO-NE)

- 5. I appreciate having others' support through difficult times.
- 6. Sometimes I just need someone to understand where I'm coming from.
- 7. It really helps me feel better during stressful situations when someone knows and cares about what I'm going through.
- 8. I really appreciate having other people to help me figure out my problems.

Positive-Tendency (IRQ-PT)

- 9. When things are going well, I just have to tell other people about it.
- 10. When something good happens, my first impulse is to tell someone about it.
- 11. When things are going well, I feel compelled to seek out other people.
- 12. When I want to celebrate something good, I seek out certain people to tell them about it.

Positive-Efficacy (IRQ-PE)

- 13. I'm happier when I'm with my friends than when I'm by myself.
- 14. Being with other people tends to put a smile on my face.
- 15. I find that even just being around other people can help me to feel better.
- 16. I really enjoy being around the people I know.