Violence Prevention Climate Scale Scoring Instructions

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To score the VPCS 18-item version, sum responses to each item for the particular subscale as shown in the table below.

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| Subscale | Items to sum |
| Subscale 1: Practices and Response | 1-6 |
| Subscale 2: Policies and Procedures | 7-12 |
| Subscale 3: Pressure for Unsafe Practices | 13-18 (reverse score) |

To score the VPCS 12-item version, sum responses to each item for the particular subscale as shown in the table below.

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| Subscale | Items to sum |
| Subscale 1: Practices and Response | 1-4 |
| Subscale 2: Policies and Procedures | 5-8 |
| Subscale 3: Pressure for Unsafe Practices | 9-12 (reverse score) |

Note: High scores indicate a favorable climate for reducing violence and aggression.

Note: To reverse score an item, use the following conversions: 1 = 6, 2 = 5, 3 = 4, 4 = 3, 5 = 2, 6 = 1 so that

Disagree very much = 6

Disagree moderately = 5

Disagree slightly = 4

Agree slightly = 3

Agree moderately = 2

Agree very much = 1