

Permission To Use Danger Assessment

Thank you for your interest in the Danger Assessment instrument. The challenge for those who encounter abused women is to identify those with the highest level of danger. The “Danger Assessment” instrument has been used by law enforcement, health care professionals, domestic violence advocates and researchers for 25 years.

To use the Danger Assessment to its fullest extent, a scoring system, which has been updated and validated, is available to interpret the Danger Assessment results. The Danger Assessment is best used by a person certified to administer the assessment and interpret the scoring system. Certification programs in various formats can be found at www.dangerassessment.com.

There is no charge and no further permission needed for the use of this instrument as long as the reference is properly cited (see below). However, it has a copyright to indicate that it may *not* be *changed* in any way without specific permission from me.

There is a charge to become certified to use the scoring system; see the rest of the website for details.

The Danger Assessment is a project in process. It is continually being checked for accuracy and usefulness. In light of that, we ask that you share the results of any research (raw or coded data) which is conducted using the instrument. The following information would be extremely valuable:

- an approximate number of women with whom the instrument was used,
- a description of their demographics,
- their mean score, and
- the setting in which the data was collected.

Comments (positive and negative) and suggestions for improvement from battered women themselves, advocates, and professionals who are involved in its use are also being collected. Please send this information to the address below.

I look forward to your feedback regarding the Danger Assessment.

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