

I. STUDY NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

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## PERSONAL SAFETY QUESTIONNAIRE

- This questionnaire will take approximately 10 minutes to complete.
- No matter what answers you give on the questionnaire, we will not share them with your clinician or anyone else.
- Please remember that you do not have to answer any question that you don't want to. Choosing not to answer will not affect your participation in the study or your health care in any way.

We appreciate your willingness to answer these questions confidentially, so that we can find new ways to improve the health and safety of all women.

According to Massachusetts’s law, we are required to report to the Department of Social Services our knowledge of ongoing abuse of children, the elderly, or the disabled. Because these questions do not ask whether abuse is ongoing, we are not required to and will not report your answers. However, if you were to volunteer additional information about ongoing abuse of a child, disabled person, or person over the age of 65, we may have to bring it to the attention of DSS.

## SECTION A

These questions (A1-A4) ask about people hurting you on purpose.

**A1.** When you were a child (up to age 11), did anyone who was at least 5 years older than you ever.....

	Yes	No	i. If YES, how often did this happen?	More than a few times	A few times or less
a) Push, grab, or shove you	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
b) Kick, bite, or punch you	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
c) Hit you with something that hurt your body	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
d) Choke or burn you	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
e) Force you to have sexual activities	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
f) Physically attack you in some other way	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>

**A2.** When you were a teenager (age 12-17), did anyone ever.....

	Yes	No	i. If YES, how often did this happen?	More than a few times	A few times or less
a) Push, grab, or shove you	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
b) Kick, bite, or punch you	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
c) Hit you with something that hurt your body	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
d) Choke or burn you	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
e) Force you to have sexual activities	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
f) Physically attack you in some other way	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>

These questions (A3-A4) ask about people hurting you on purpose.

**A3.** From when you were age 18 until this pregnancy, did anyone ever.....

	Yes	No	i. If YES, how often did this happen?	More than a few times	A few times or less
a) Push, grab, or shove you	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
b) Kick, bite, or punch you	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
c) Hit you with something that hurt your body	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
d) Choke or burn you	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
e) Force you to have sexual activities	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
f) Physically attack you in some other way	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>

**A4.** During this pregnancy, has anyone ever.....

	Yes	No	i. If YES, how often has this happened?	More than a few times	A few times or less
a) Pushed, grabbed, or shoved you	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
b) Kicked, bit, or punched you	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
c) Hit you with something that hurt your body	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
d) Choked or burned you	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
e) Forced you to have sexual activities	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
f) Physically attacked you in some other way	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	If YES, this happened...	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>

**A5.** At any time in your life, have you seen or heard other people being sexually or physically hurt in your home?

<sub>1</sub> Yes

<sub>2</sub> No

**Questions A6-10 ask about whether or not you have lived in fear that someone would harm you.**

**By lived in fear we mean that you went through a period of several months or more in which you felt afraid.**

**A6.** When you were a child (up to age 11), did you live in fear that someone would.....

	Yes	No	i. If YES, how much of the time did you feel this way?	Most of the time	Some of the time
a) Force you to have sexual activities	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<b>If YES, I felt this way</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
b) Physically attack you in some other way	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<b>If YES, I felt this way</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>

**A7.** When you were a teenager (age 12-17), did you live in fear that someone would.....

	Yes	No	i. If YES, how much of the time did you feel this way?	Most of the time	Some of the time
a) Force you to have sexual activities	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<b>If YES, I felt this way</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
b) Physically attack you in some other way	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<b>If YES, I felt this way</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>

**A8.** From when you were age 18 until this pregnancy, did you live in fear that someone would.....

	Yes	No	i. If YES, how much of the time did you feel this way?	Most of the time	Some of the time
a) Force you to have sexual activities	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<b>If YES, I felt this way</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
b) Physically attack you in some other way	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<b>If YES, I felt this way</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>

**A9.** During this pregnancy, have you lived in fear that someone would .....

	Yes	No	i. If YES, how much of the time did you feel this way?	Most of the time	Some of the time
a) Force you to have sexual activities	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<b>If YES, I felt this way</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
b) Physically attack you in some other way	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<b>If YES, I felt this way</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>

**A10.** At any time in your life, have you lived in fear that someone would sexually or physically hurt someone else in your home?

<sub>1</sub> Yes

<sub>2</sub> No

**If you have never had any of the experiences listed in questions A1-10, please skip to Section B on page 7.**

**A11.** How often do you currently feel troubled by the experiences you told us about in questions A1-10?

All of the time	Some of the time	Rarely	Never
<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>

**A12.** We are interested in whether the experiences in questions A1-10 caused feelings that have stayed with you. Over time, have these experiences made you feel more...

		YES	NO
a)	Afraid	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
b)	Angry	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
c)	Powerful	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
d)	Sad, hopeless, or powerless	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
e)	Humiliated or ashamed	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
f)	Like I deserved better	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
g)	Like I could kill someone	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
h)	Numb	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
i)	Worthless or self-hating	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
j)	Pity or compassion for the person who hurt me	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
k)	Like I wanted revenge	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
l)	Other, specify: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>

**A13.** Now we'd like to ask you about your responses to the worst of the experiences you told us about in questions A1-10. Please include both your immediate responses and the responses you have had over time.

a) Have you responded by.....	YES	NO
i) Seeking counseling/therapy or joining a support group	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
ii) Accepting it	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
iii) Turning to drugs or alcohol	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
iv) Joining an antiviolence activist group	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
v) Attempting suicide or hurting myself	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
vi) Fighting back	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
vii) Keeping it to myself	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
viii) Ignoring or forgetting it	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
ix) Praying	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
x) Going to the police or legal services	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
xi) Getting a weapon	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
xii) Moving out or going to a shelter	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
xiii) Talking to friends and/or family about it	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>

	YES	NO
b) Have you had any other responses?	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>
i) <b>If YES,</b> Please describe your other responses:		
_____		
_____		
_____		

## SECTION B. CHILDHOOD HOME ENVIRONMENT

Some of the questions in this section might appear to be similar to questions that you've already answered. Please keep in mind however that the following questions are about your childhood home environment up to age 11.

		Never true	Rarely true	Sometimes true	Often true	Very often true
B1.	People in my family hit me so hard it left me with bruises and marks	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
B2.	The punishments I received seemed cruel.	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
B3.	I was punished with a belt, a board, a cord, or some other hard object.	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
B4.	Someone in my family yelled or screamed at me.	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
B5.	People in my family said hurtful or insulting things to me.	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
B6.	I felt like there was someone in my family who wanted me to be a success.	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
B7.	There was someone in my family who helped me feel that I was important or special.	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
B8.	My family was a source of strength and support.	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
B9.	People in my family believed in me.	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
B10.	Someone in my family believed in me.	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
B11.	I believe that I was sexually abused in the family.	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>
B12.	Someone molested me in the family.	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>1</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>2</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>3</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>4</sub>	<input type="checkbox"/> <sub>5</sub>

**Please check to make sure you have not  
accidentally skipped any pages or questions.  
Then, put this questionnaire in the envelope and  
hand it to the research assistant.**

**THANK YOU!**