



## UNC CFAR Social and Behavioral Science Research Core SABI Database

**INSTRUMENT TITLE:** HITS (Hurt, Insulated, Threatened with harm and Screamed at)

**SOURCE ARTICLE:** Sherin, K. M., Sinacore, J. M., Li, X. Q., Zitter, R. E., & Shakil, A. (1998). HITS: a short domestic violence screening tool for use in a family practice setting. *FAMILY MEDICINE-KANSAS CITY*-, 30, 508-512.

**POPULATION:** Women, patients

**RESPONSE OPTIONS:** Patients responded to each of these items with a 5-point frequency format: never, rarely, sometimes, fairly often, and frequently.

**SCORING:** Total score values could range from a minimum of 4 to a maximum of 20.

**SURVEY ITEMS:** “How often does your partner: physically hurt you, insult you or talk down to you, threaten you with harm, and scream or curse at you?”

**RELIABILITY INFORMATION:** Cronbach’s  $\alpha=0.80$

**VALIDITY INFORMATION:** Content validity and criterion validity were assessed. The Conflict Tactics Scale (CTS) was the criterion measure used.

**TERMS OF USE:**

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