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INSTRUMENT TITLE: Perceptions and Concerns Related to HIV Stigma

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RESPONSE OPTIONS: Questions 1, 2, and 5: A great deal, Some, A little bit, No unfair persecution at all; Question 3: YES or NO (If YES, year and test result); Question 4: Very concerned, Somewhat concerned, A little concerned, Not at all concerned; Question 6: Favor or Oppose

SURVEY ITEMS:

1. How much people with AIDS have been unfairly persecuted in the past?
2. Do people with AIDS now face a great deal of unfair persecution?
3. Have you ever been tested for HIV?
If yes, what was your most recent test year?
If yes, what was your most recent test result?
4. If you were going to be tested in the future for some reason, how concerned would you be that you might be treated differently or discriminated against if your result were to come out positive for the AIDS virus?
5. How much would your level of concern affect your decision to be tested?

For number six there are three versions that are to be randomly assigned.

6. Version 1: Would you favor or oppose a law that required doctors to report the names and addresses of anyone who tests positive for the AIDS virus to the federal government?
Version 2: Would you favor or oppose a law that required doctors to report statistical information, but not names, about anyone who tests positive for the AIDS virus to the federal government?

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Version 3: Would you favor or oppose a law that required doctors to report statistical information, but not names, about anyone who tests positive for the AIDS virus to the federal government if strict measures would be taken to preserve the privacy of those who test positive?

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