



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

**INSTRUMENT TITLE:** *The UCLA Social Support Inventory (UCLA-SSI)*

**SOURCE ARTICLE:** Schwarzer, R., Dunkel-Schetter, C., & Kemeny, M. (1994). The multidimensional nature of received social support in gay men at risk of HIV infection and AIDS. *American Journal of Community Psychology*, 22(3), 319-339.

**POPULATION:** Men who have sex with men, bisexual men

**RESPONSE OPTIONS:** The satisfaction items were arranged as 7-point Likert scales ranging from very dissatisfied (1) to very satisfied (7). All other items were 5-point Likert scales including never, rarely, sometimes, often, and very often.

**SCORING:** Not Reported

**SURVEY ITEMS:** Scales measuring types of support (advice, assistance, reassurance, listening) and sources of support (friends, relatives, partners, groups)

**RELIABILITY INFORMATION:** Cronbach's  $\alpha = 0.77$  (Wave 1), 0.80 (Wave 2), average  $r = 0.47$  (0.39-0.56)

**VALIDITY INFORMATION:** Both convergent and discriminant validity were assessed. Factor structure was also tested and results determined that this scale is supposed to measure informational support, tangible support, emotional support, and satisfaction with support.

**TERMS OF USE:**

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