Name of Tool	P-SCAN
Category	Responsivity Issues (Awaiting Validation)
Author / Publisher	Hare and Hervé
Year	1999

Description

- The P-SCAN is a structured assessment that screens for psychopathic traits in individuals aged 18 and above.
- It is a 90-item checklist that explores three key facets of psychopathy; (1) interpersonal, (2) affective and (3) lifestyle.
- Items are scored on a three-point Likert scale according to the extent to which the client exhibits particular traits.
- It is intended for use when it is not possible to conduct the full PCL:R or PCL:SV, taking around 10 to 15 minutes to complete. It does not, however, provide a clinical diagnosis
- It is available for use by non-clinicians within mental health and correctional settings.

Age Appropriateness

18+

Assessor Qualifications

It is designed for use by law enforcement, forensic and civil facilities, corrections, probations and any other places where determining the possible presence of psychopathic traits is of interest.

Tool Development

- Brackett, Jackson and Richards (2008) - large correlation was observed between the composite scores for the PCL:R and the P-SCAN (r = .49). Moderate to large coefficients obtained for the P-SCAN subscales in relation to the rater's experience with the construct of psychopathy.
- Warren, Chauhan and Murrie (2005) - the P-SCAN obtained high internal consistency ($\partial \geq .96$) in a sample of 115 females incarcerated in a maximum security prison. The inter-rater reliability of the P-SCAN varied: Total score was 0.40, Interpersonal Facet 0.51, Affect Facet 0.32 and Lifestyle Facert 0.24.
- Elwood, Poythress and Douglas (2004) found high internal consistency ($\partial \geq .90$) for the three subscales in the P-SCAN within a sample of university students.

General Notes

- The P-SCAN does not provide a clinical diagnosis of psychopathy (see Warren, Chauhan and Murrie 2005).

- Few validation studies on this tool at present.
- For more information, visit the following website: www.hare.org