Adverse Childhood Experiences International Questionnaire (ACE-IQ) Question-by-Question Guide

0	DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION	
0.1		
[C1]	Sex (Record Male / Female as observed) Circle Male/Female as observed.	Male [1] Female [2]
0.2	What is your date of birth?	Day [][] Month [][] Year [][][]
[C2]	Record date of birth of participant. If unknown	Unknown (Go to Q.C3) [77]
[02]	go to Q.C3.	Olikilowii (do to Q.03) [11]
0.3	How old are you?	[][]
[C3]	If the participant has answered Q.C2 then	r 1r 1
[00]	calculate the participant's age from their	
	response. If the participant did not know the	
	answer to Q.C2 then help them to estimate	
	their age by interviewing them about their	
	recollection of widely known major events.	
0.4	What is your [insert relevant ethnic group /	[Locally defined] [1]
[C4]	racial group / cultural subgroup / others	[Locally defined] [2]
	background?	[Locally defined] [3]
	Circle the relevant ethnic/cultural group the	Refused [88]
	participant belongs to.	
0.5	What is the highest level of education you	No formal schooling [1]
[C5]	have <u>completed</u> ?	Less than primary school [2]
	If a person only attended a few months of	Primary school completed [3]
	primary school or never went to school,	Secondary/High school completed [4]
	record "less than primary school".	College/University completed [5]
	"Secondary/High school" refers to the final	Post graduate degree [6]
	stage of compulsory schooling.	Refused [88]
0.0	Circle appropriate response.	Covernment empleyee [11]
0.6 [C6]	Which of the following best describes your main work status over the last 12 months?	Government employee [1]
[Co]	The purpose of this question is to help answer	Non-government employee [2] Self-employed [3]
	other questions such as whether or not health	Non-paid [4]
	status contributes to unemployment, or	Student [5]
	whether people in different kinds of	Homemaker [6]
	occupations may be confronted with different	Retired [7]
	risk factors.	Unemployed (able to work) [8]
	Circle appropriate response.	Unemployed (unable to work) [9]
		Refused [88]
0.7	What is your civic status?	Married (Go to Q.M2) [1]
[C7]	The purpose of this question is to ascertain	Living as couple [2]
	the <u>current</u> civic status of the participant.	Divorced or separated [3]
	"Living as couple" refers to a couple who are	Single [4]
	living together but are not legally married	Widowed (Go to Q.M2) [5]
	according to the law/custom of their country.	Other [6]
	"Single" refers to someone who has never	Refused [88]
	been married. Circle appropriate response.	. 1
1		RIAGE
1.1	Have you ever been married?	Yes [1]
[M1]	If there is a contradiction between the answer	No <i>(Go to Q.M5)</i> [2]
	to this question and that of Q.C7 clarify with	Refused [88]
	the participant which is correct. Circle	. ,
	appropriate response.	

Participant Identification Number: [][] [][] [][1.2 At what age were you first married? Age [][] [M2] Record age in years. If participant is unsure then help them estimate their age by interviewing them about their recollection of widely known major events. Refused [88] 1.3 At the time of your first marriage did you Yes (Go to Q.M5) [1] yourself choose your husband/wife? [M3] No [2] The purpose of Q.M3 is to find out whether Don't know / Not sure [77] the participant had the opportunity to freely Refused [88] select their partner without any arrangement/interference by their family, or whether their partner was selected for them. Questions M3 and M4 are linked and aim to ascertain whether the participant was unduly coerced or forced into marriage. The key question is Q.M4 (voluntary consent), but Q.M3 must be asked as a prelude. (If the answer is Yes then go straight to Q.M5). Circle appropriate response. 1.4 At the time of your first marriage if you did not Yes [1] [M4] choose your husband/wife yourself, did you No [2] give your consent to the choice? Refused [88] The purpose of this question is to find out whether the participant had the opportunity to freely decide whether or not to marry the person that had been chosen for them. Circle appropriate response. If you are a mother or father what was your 1.5 Age [][] [M5] age when your first child was born? Not applicable [66] This question refers to their first child, whether Refused [88] living now or deceased. Record age in years. If participant is unsure then help them estimate their age by interviewing them about their recollection of widely known major events. If the participant has never had

2	RELATIONSHIP WITH PARENTS/GUARDIANS	
	Read out the statement below to the participant to make sure they understand that the following questions in this section refer to their childhood (the first 18 years of their life). When you were growing up, during the first 18 years of your life	
2.1 [P1]	Did your parents/guardians understand your problems and worries? The purpose of this question is to find out about the kind of relationship the participant had with their parents/guardians. Circle appropriate response.	Always [1] Most of the time [2] Sometimes [3] Rarely [4] Never [5] Refused [88]
2.2 [P2]	Did your parents/guardians really know what you were doing with your free time when you were not at school or work? The purpose of this question is to find out about the kind of <u>relationship</u> the participant had with their parents/guardians. Circle appropriate response.	Always [1] Most of the time [2] Sometimes [3] Rarely [4] Never [5] Refused [88]
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children then circle "not applicable".

	Partio	cipant Identification Number: [][] [][] []
3.1	How often did your parents/guardians not	Many times [1]
[P3]	give you enough food even when they could	A few times [2]
	easily have done so?	Once [3]
	The purpose of this question is to find out	Never [4]
	about the kind of <u>support</u> the participant	Refused [88]
	received from their parents/guardians. It is	•
	not asking about poverty - it is asking whether	
	available food was <u>withheld</u> from the	
	participant. Circle appropriate response.	
3.2	Were your parents/guardians too drunk or	Many times [1]
[P4]	intoxicated by drugs to take care of you?	A few times [2]
	The purpose of this question is to find out	Once [3]
	whether the participant was neglected due to	Never [4]
	alcohol or drug misuse by their	Refused [88]
	parents/guardians. Circle appropriate	
3.3	response. How often did your parents/guardians not	Many times [1]
5.5 [P5]	send you to school even when it was	Many times [1] A few times [2]
[FS]	available?	
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	about the kind of support the participant	Never [4]
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	opportunity to go to an available school was	
	withheld from the participant.	
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		Refused [88]
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4.5	Did your mother, father or guardian die?	Yes [1]
[F5]	Circle appropriate response. If the participant	No [2]
	was raised in care and does not know whether	Don't know / Not sure [77]
	their parents died then circle "Don't know/Not	Refused [88]
	sure".	
Read	out the statement below to the participant to mak	e sure they understand that the following
questi	ons refer to things that happened during their chi	Idhood (the first 18 years of their life), <u>in their</u>
own h	ome, but to someone else, not them.	
Those	next questions are about certain things you	may actually have heard or soon IN VOLID
	E. These are things that may have been done t	
	sarily to you.	o another nousehold member but not
Heces	Sainy to you.	
When	you were growing up, during the first 18 year	s of your life
4.6	Did you see or hear a parent or household	Many times [1]
[F6]	member in your home being yelled at,	Many times [1] A few times [2]
[FO]	screamed at, sworn at, insulted or humiliated?	
		Once [3]
	This question is asking about verbal abuse	Never [4]
	only. Circle appropriate response.	Refused [88]
4.7	Did you see or hear a parent or household	Many times [1]
[F7]	member in your home being slapped, kicked,	A few times [2]
	punched or beaten up?	Once [3]
	This question is asking about physical abuse	Never [4]
	without the use of a weapon or implement.	Refused [88]
	Circle appropriate response.	
4.8	Did you see or hear a parent or household	Many times [1]
[F8]	member in your home being hit or cut with an	A few times [2]
	object, such as a stick (or cane), bottle, club,	Once [3]
	knife, whip etc.?	Never [4]
	This question is asking about physical abuse	Refused [88]
	with the use of a weapon or implement.	Tielasea [66]
	Circle appropriate response.	
Read	out the statement below to the participant to mak	e sure they understand that the following
	ons refer to things that they personally experienc	
their li		
These	next questions are about certain things YOU	may have experienced.
When	you were growing up, during the first 18 year	s of your life
	, ,	,
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5.1	Did a parent, guardian or other household	Many times [1]
[A1]	member yell, scream or swear at you, insult	A few times [2]
	or humiliate you?	Once [3]
	This question is asking about <u>verbal</u> abuse	Never [4]
	only. Circle appropriate response.	Refused [88]
5.2	Did a parent, guardian or other household	Many times [1]
[A2]	member threaten to, or actually, abandon you	A few times [2]
المحا	or throw you out of the house?	
1	This question is asking both about verbal	Once [3]
		Never [4]
	threats of abandonment, and actual acts of	Refused [88]
	abandonment, made to the participant.	
	Circle appropriate response.	

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5.3	Did a parent, guardian or other household	Many times [1]
[A3]	member spank, slap, kick, punch or beat you	A few times [2]
	up?	Once [3]
	This question is asking about physical abuse	Never [4]
	<u>without</u> the use of a weapon or implement. Circle appropriate response.	Refused [88]
5.4	Did a parent, guardian or other household	Many times [1]
[A4]	member hit or cut you with an object, such as	A few times [2]
	a stick (or cane), bottle, club, knife, whip etc?	Once [3]
	This question is asking about physical abuse	Never [4]
	<u>with</u> the use of a weapon or implement. Circle appropriate response.	Refused [88]
	Спсте арргорнате гезропѕе.	
5.5	Did someone touch or fondle you in a sexual	Many times [1]
[A5]	way when you did not want them to?	A few times [2]
	This question is not just about a family or	Once [3]
	household member - it could have been	Never [4]
	anyone, known or unknown, to the	Refused [88]
	participant.	
5 0	Circle appropriate response.	
5.6	Did someone make you touch their body in a	Many times [1]
[A6]	sexual way when you did not want them to?	A few times [2]
	This question is not just about a family or household member - it could have been	Once [3]
	anyone, known or unknown, to the participant	Never [4]
	Circle appropriate response.	Refused [88]
5.7	Did someone attempt oral, anal, or vaginal	Many times [1]
[A7]	intercourse with you when you did not want	A few times [2]
	them to?	Once [3]
	This question is not just about a family or	Never [4]
	household member - it could have been	Refused [8]
	anyone, known or unknown, to the participant	-
.	Circle appropriate response.	M (1 54)
5.8	Did someone actually have oral, anal, or	Many times [1]
[8A]	vaginal intercourse with you when you did not	A few times [2]
	want them to? This question is not just about a family or	Once [3]
	household member - it could have been	Never [4]
	anyone, known or unknown, to the	Refused [88]
	participant.	
	Circle appropriate response.	
6	PEER VIOLENCE	
	Read out the statement below to the participan	t to make sure they understand what bullying
	is and that the questions in this section refer to	their childhood (the first 18 years of their life).
	These next questions are about BEING BULLIED when you were growing up. Bullying	
	is when a young person or group of young	people say or do bad and unpleasant things
	to another young person. It is also bullying	
	unpleasant way or when a young person is	
	bullying when two young people of about th	
	when teasing is done in a friendly and fun w	•
	When you were growing up, during the first	
6.1	How often were you bullied?	Many times [1]
[V1]	Circle appropriate response.	A few times [2]
		Once [3]
		Never (Go to Q.V3) [4]

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6.2	How were you bullied most often?	I was hit, kicked, pushed, shoved around, or
[V2]	Circle one response only - the response	locked indoors [1]
	corresponding to the most common type of	I was made fun of because of my race,
	bullying endured.	nationality or colour [2]
		I was made fun of because of my religion [3]
		I was made fun of with sexual jokes, comments, or gestures [4]
		I was left out of activities on purpose or
		completely ignored [5]
		I was made fun of because of how my body
		or face looked [6]
		I was bullied in some other way [7]
		Refused [88]
	out the statement below to the participant to mak at the question in this section refers to their child	
	ext question is about PHYSICAL FIGHTS. A p	
	e of about the same strength or power choos	
When	you were growing up, during the first 18 year	s of your life
6.3	How often were you in a physical fight?	Many times [1]
[V3]	This question refers to a physical fight where	A few times [2]
	the two young people fight one another bare-	Once [3]
	handed or with implements/weapons. It is not	Never [4]
	asking about fights where there is no physical contact but only verbal interaction.	Refused [88]
	Circle appropriate response.	
7	WITNESSING COMI	MUNITY VIOLENCE
	Dood out the statement below to the mortisiness	t to real to a true the complement of the the
	Read out the statement below to the participant questions in this section refer to their childhood they saw and heard in real life, in their neighbor	I (the first 18 years of their life) and the things
	These next questions are about how often, or heard certain things in your NEIGHBOUR or on TV, movies, or the radio).	vhen you were a child, YOU may have seen HOOD OR COMMUNITY (not in your home
	When you were growing up, during the first	
7.1	Did you see or hear someone being beaten	Many times [1]
[V4]	up in real life? This question refers to things that the	A few times [2]
	participant actually witnessed for themselves	Once [3] Never [4]
	- it is not asking if these things happened in	Refused [88]
	their neighbourhood or community in general,	Heluseu [00]
	or whether the participant saw or heard them	
	on TV, movies or the radio.	
	Circle appropriate response.	
7.2	Did you see or hear someone being stabbed	Many times [1]
7.2 [V5]	Did you see or hear someone being stabbed or shot in real life?	A few times [2]
	Did you see or hear someone being stabbed or shot in real life? This question refers to things that the	A few times [2] Once [3]
	Did you see or hear someone being stabbed or shot in real life? This question refers to things that the participant actually witnessed for themselves	A few times [2] Once [3] Never [4]
	Did you see or hear someone being stabbed or shot in real life? This question refers to things that the participant actually witnessed for themselves - it is not asking if these things happened in	A few times [2] Once [3]
	Did you see or hear someone being stabbed or shot in real life? This question refers to things that the participant actually witnessed for themselves	A few times [2] Once [3] Never [4]
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	Did you see or hear someone being stabbed or shot in real life? This question refers to things that the participant actually witnessed for themselves - it is not asking if these things happened in their neighbourhood or community in general, or whether the participant saw or heard them	A few times [2] Once [3] Never [4]

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		A few times [2]
		Once [3] Never [4]
		Refused [88]
8	EXPOSURE TO W	AR/COLLECTIVE VIOLENCE
	Read out the statement below to the participant to make sure they understand what collective violence is and that the questions in this section refer to their childhood (the first 18 years of their life). These questions are about whether YOU did or did not experience any of the following events when you were a child. The events are all to do with collective violence, including wars, terrorism, political or ethnic conflicts, genocide, repression, disappearances, torture and organized violent crime such as banditry and gang warfare.	
	When you were growing up, during the	
8.1 [V7]	Were you forced to go and live in another place due to any of these	Many times [1] A few times [2]
[[7]	events?	Once [3]
	This question is only referring to	Never [4]
	whether any of the events above	Refused [88]
	resulted in the participant being forced	
	to leave their home and live elsewhere	
	(this is <u>not</u> about the participant and	
	their family <u>voluntarily</u> fleeing from a danger zone). Circle appropriate	
	response.	
8.2	Did you experience the deliberate	Many times [1]
[V8]	destruction of your home due to any of	A few times [2]
	these events?	Once [3]
	This question is only referring to	Never [4]
	whether <u>any of the events above</u> resulted in the deliberate destruction of the participant's home.	Refused [88]
8.3	Circle appropriate response. Were you beaten up by soldiers, police,	Many times [1]
[V9]	militia, or gangs?	A few times [2]
[• •]	Circle appropriate response.	Once [3]
	app. op. act. soponos	Never [4]
		Refused [88]
8.4	Was a family member or friend killed or	Many times [1]
[V10]	beaten up by soldiers, police, militia, or	A few times [2]
	gangs?	Once [3]
	Circle appropriate response.	Never [4]
		Refused [88]