

## SSKAAT-3 Field Research Information for Participants and Caregivers

The **Socio-Sexual Knowledge and Attitudes Assessment Tool** – **Third Edition (SSKAAT-3)** is used to assess sexual knowledge and attitudes for persons with disabilities. The SSKAAT-3 is an update to the Socio-Sexual Knowledge and Attitudes Assessment Tool – Revised (SSKAAT-R), a widely used tool with a strong history of helping clinicians/educators understand sexual education needs. Part of test development involves giving the new test to actual individuals. This information will allow us to create better sex education programs and supports.

Participation in this study is voluntary and involves taking part in a one-hour interview with a qualified clinician, where participants will be asked to answer questions about what they know and think about dating, marriage, intimate activities (such as kissing and sexual intercourse), and sexual health. Participants are **not** asked about their personal sexual experiences. The SSKAAT-3 includes drawings and pictures of people, including drawings of people with no clothes on. Each participant will be given one or up to three assessments, each which will typically be about 1 hour long. Assessments include the SSKAAT-3, the SSKAAT-R, a brief nonverbal intelligence test, and a different measure of sexual knowledge for comparison. Participants can choose to do one or more assessments.

It is not expected that there will be any risks of participating, but the interview deals with sexual topics, and participants may be uncomfortable or embarrassed answering some of the questions. Participants can choose not to answer any given question, and they may stop the interview at any point. All answers and information will be kept confidential and private. Participants will not be identified in any presentations or reports from this study.

Given that this test is new, the clinicians Participants work with and the publisher of the SSKAAT-3 (Stoelting Co.) are not able to provide results in a full report. However, clinicians may be able to provide brief feedback from their observations during the interview.

To thank participants for their time and effort, they will receive \$25USD in the form of a gift card. If a participant decides to stop the interview at any time, they will still receive payment. When the study is complete, participants will be given a summary of the results.

Thank you so much for your time, assistance, and contribution to developing the SSKAAT-3. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at any time.

Warm Regards,

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