

Adolescent Obsessive Compulsive Drinking Scale

The Adolescent Obsessive Compulsive Drinking Scale (A-OCDS) is a self-report questionnaire that detects obsessive thoughts about alcohol/drugs, compulsive drinking/using behaviors, and the degree of distress caused by these thoughts (Deas, Roberts, Randall, & Anton, 2002). A-OCDS items form two subscales (irresistibility and interference), that have demonstrated good internal consistency and that refer to the adolescent's intrusive thoughts and self-reported loss of control in relation to alcohol use (Deas, Roberts, Randall, & Anton, 2001). The OCDS as completed by adults has shown good test-retest reliability (Anton, Moak, & Latham, 1995). The A-OCDS total and subscale scores have demonstrated adequate construct validity (Deas et al., 2002; Thomas & Deas, 2005).

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