

RELIGIOUS/SPIRITUALLY INTEGRATED PRACTICE ASSESSMENT SCALE – CLIENT ATTITUDES

Source: Oxhandler, H. K., Ellor, J. W., & Stanford, M. S. (2018). Client attitudes toward integrating religion/spirituality in mental health treatment: Scale development and client responses. *Social Work, 63*, 337-346. doi: 10.1093/sw/swy041

Statement	Level of Agreement				
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. It is important for therapists to know how to discuss clients' religion/spirituality in mental health therapy.	SD	D	N	A	SA
2. The therapist should ask about clients' religion/spirituality, rather than wait for the client to bring it up.	SD	D	N	A	SA
3. The client should bring up his or her religion/spirituality rather than wait for the therapist to bring it up.	SD	D	N	A	SA
4. Discussing clients' religious/spiritual beliefs in therapy improves client outcomes.	SD	D	N	A	SA
5. Therapists who take time to understand their clients' religious/spiritual beliefs show greater concern for client well-being than therapists who do not take time to understand their clients' religious/spiritual beliefs.	SD	D	N	A	SA
6. I am open to working with a therapist who has a different belief system than I do. ^a	SD	D	N	A	SA
7. A good therapist is sensitive to clients' religious/spiritual beliefs.	SD	D	N	A	SA
8. I am open to being referred to religious or pastoral counseling if my therapist thinks it would be helpful.	SD	D	N	A	SA
9. I would be open to discussing my religious/spiritual beliefs in therapy.	SD	D	N	A	SA
10. My religious/spiritual beliefs are important to me during difficult times.	SD	D	N	A	SA

^aThis item was removed from the Oxhandler, Ellor, and Stanford (2018) study but is being reconsidered for inclusion based on a more recent survey as of April 2020. A revised version will be added when finalized.

Scoring:

- 1 = Strongly Disagree
- 2 = Disagree
- 3 = Neutral
- 4 = Agree
- 5 = Strongly Agree