Instructions: We are interested in how you feel about the following statements. Read each statement carefully. Indicate how you feel about each statement.

\*1. There is a special person who is around when I am in need.

\_1. Very Strongly Disagree

\_2. Strongly Disagree

\_3. Mildly Disagree

\_4. Neutral

\_5. Mildly Agree

\_6. Strongly Agree

\_7. Very Strongly Agree

2. There is a special person with whom I can share joys and sorrows.

\_1. Very Strongly Disagree

\_2. Strongly Disagree

\_3. Mildly Disagree

\_4. Neutral

\_5. Mildly Agree

\_6. Strongly Agree

\_7. Very Strongly Agree

3. My family really tries to help me.

\_1. Very Strongly Disagree

\_2. Strongly Disagree

\_3. Mildly Disagree

\_4. Neutral

\_5. Mildly Agree

\_6. Strongly Agree

\_7. Very Strongly Agree

\*4. I get the emotional help & support I need from my family.

\_1. Very Strongly Disagree

\_2. Strongly Disagree

\_3. Mildly Disagree

\_4. Neutral

\_5. Mildly Agree

\_6. Strongly Agree

\_7. Very Strongly Agree

\*5. I have a special person who is a real source of comfort to me.

\_1. Very Strongly Disagree

\_2. Strongly Disagree

\_3. Mildly Disagree

\_4. Neutral

\_5. Mildly Agree

\_6. Strongly Agree

\_7. Very Strongly Agree

6. My friends really try to help me.

\_1. Very Strongly Disagree

\_2. Strongly Disagree

\_3. Mildly Disagree

\_4. Neutral

\_5. Mildly Agree

\_6. Strongly Agree

\_7. Very Strongly Agree

7. I can count on my friends when things go wrong.

\_1. Very Strongly Disagree

\_2. Strongly Disagree

\_3. Mildly Disagree

\_4. Neutral

\_5. Mildly Agree

\_6. Strongly Agree

\_7. Very Strongly Agree

8. I can talk about my problems with my family.

\_1. Very Strongly Disagree

\_2. Strongly Disagree

\_3. Mildly Disagree

\_4. Neutral

\_5. Mildly Agree

\_6. Strongly Agree

\_7. Very Strongly Agree

\*9. I have friends with whom I can share my joys and sorrows.

\_1. Very Strongly Disagree

\_2. Strongly Disagree

\_3. Mildly Disagree

\_4. Neutral

\_5. Mildly Agree

\_6. Strongly Agree

\_7. Very Strongly Agree

10. There is a special person in my life who cares about my feelings.

\_1. Very Strongly Disagree

\_2. Strongly Disagree

\_3. Mildly Disagree

\_4. Neutral

\_5. Mildly Agree

\_6. Strongly Agree

\_7. Very Strongly Agree

\*11. My family is willing to help me make decisions.

\_1. Very Strongly Disagree

\_2. Strongly Disagree

\_3. Mildly Disagree

\_4. Neutral

\_5. Mildly Agree

\_6. Strongly Agree

\_7. Very Strongly Agree

\*12. I can talk about my problems with my friends.

\_1. Very Strongly Disagree

\_2. Strongly Disagree

\_3. Mildly Disagree

\_4. Neutral

\_5. Mildly Agree

\_6. Strongly Agree

\_7. Very Strongly Agree

Note: Scoring

To calculate mean scores:

Significant Other Subscale: Sum across items 1, 2, 5, & 10, then divide by 4.

Family Subscale: Sum across items 3, 4, 8, & 11, then divide by 4.

Friends Subscale: Sum across items 6, 7, 9, & 12, then divide by 4.

Total Scale: Sum across all 12 items, then divide by 12.

Questions marked with asterisk \* correspond to the 6 item short version of the MSPSS

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