Common Measure: Parenting


Scale: Nurturance

Developers: Rickel, A. U. and Biasatti, L. L.

Year: 1982

Target Audience(s): Parents of children 2-18

Language other than English available: Norwegian, Swedish, Danish, Finnish, Croatian, Cantonese, and Dutch

Type: Behavior and Attitudes

Data collected: Quantitative

Data collection format: Self report – Pre/post

Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade level: Unavailable


Level of training necessary for administration/scoring/interpretation: None necessary. Paper and pencil scoring with the sum of ratings used as a total scale score.

Widespread Use/Professional Endorsements: The 40-item modified CRPR scale has been used in multiple research articles looking at parental child-rearing attitudes and values. It is a revision of the original 91-item CRPR scale developed by Block in 1965. The main purpose of the Modified CRPR scale was to facilitate administration and interpretation of the scale, without impeding reliability, and enhances its usefulness as an effective instrument in program evaluation.

Cost of Use: No cost associated with the survey. Credit must be given to the developers.
Description:
- The Nurturance subscale contains 18 items that represent an endorsement of flexible child-rearing attitudes and practices. The items show the willingness of parents to listen to and share feelings and experiences with their children.
- The 18-item Nurturance scale is one of two scales from the larger Modified CRPR Scale that includes both Restrictiveness and Nurturance as components of Effective Parenting.

Psychometrics:
*Information on reliability and validity are provided below. If information on a particular psychometric was not found, it is indicated as “no information provided.” It should be noted that this is not necessarily an indication of a lack of reliability or validity within a particular scale/instrument, but rather a lack of rigorous testing, for various reasons, by the developers or other researchers.*

**Reliability:** A correlation of at least .80 is suggested for at least one type of reliability as evidence; however, standards range from .5 to .9 depending on the intended use and context for the instrument.

*Test-Retest:* The average test-retest reliability of each item of was .71, with a range of .38 to .85.

*Internal Consistency:* Cronbach’s alpha for the Nurturance scale was .84 for the first data set, .82 for the second data set, and .73 for the third data set. This internal consistency and reliability held up across different samples, including parents from an urban center city, parents from a middle-to-upper income community, and college students at a large urban university. The results remained the same whether the method of CRPR administration was a Likert format or a Q-sort technique.

*Inter-rater reliability:* No information provided

**Validity:** The extent to which a measure captures what it is intended to measure.

*Content/Face Validity:* No information provided

*Criterion Validity:* No information provided

*Construct Validity:* No information provided