Introduction to the PAI Plus
Questions & Answers

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The following are some of the questions (and answers) that followed the presentation.

Q: Have the original PAI items been revised for the PAI Plus?

A: No. The PAI Plus is a new report option that uses the original PAI items.

Q: As research identifies new possible scales, will these possibly be added to the PAI Plus through PARiConnect?

A: We are hoping to allow for more dynamic updates to the report in the future, which would include new indices or diagnostic groups.

Q: If we already purchased the PAI, do we need to purchase the PAI Plus?

A: No. Users can generate PAI Plus reports using their existing PAI PARiConnect inventory. For software users, whether you need to purchase an upgrade or new software depends on the version you previously purchased. Please contact Customer Support at 1.855.856.4266 for assistance.

Q: Will the PAI Plus be available for hand scoring?

A: No. The PAI Plus is only available on PARiConnect or via the PAI Software Program (PAI-SP).

Q: Is there a PAI Plus manual available?

A: Yes. The PAI Plus Professional Manual Supplement is available in print or as an e-Manual. Each e-Manual is limited to a single user and device.

Q: What if I use paper forms and the software?

A: PAI Plus reports can be obtained through:

- Administration of an on-screen, in-office assessment;
- An on-screen, remote administration using the client's computer
- Hand-entry of responses already obtained from a paper-and-pencil administration

Q: How many different overlays can be requested for a given case? When the comparison group data are generated, are all comparison groups generated per each patient, or do you need to use a new report for each comparison group?

A: PAI Plus Score Reports and Clinical Interpretive Reports include all the coefficient of fits for the context-specific norm groups, but only one profile overlay can be generated for each report. However, software users are able to compare multiple profile overlays within the Interpretive Explorer in the PAI software.

Additional profile overlays can be generated for the same report without an additional charge. For PARiConnect, on the download screen, click "Return to Review." Follow the same steps used to generate your report but change your selection for "Context-specific norm group as profile overlay" on the report options screen. Means and standard deviations for the context-specific norm groups are now available in the e-Manual and will be available on the reports soon

Q: Does the PAI Plus have an interpretive summary?

A: The PAI Plus Score Report and the PAI Plus Clinical Interpretive Report include the original PAI scale/subscale profiles plus additional profile information, interpretive text, critical item endorsement, and item responses.

New features in the PAI Plus Score Report and the PAI Plus Clinical Interpretive Report are shown in the table below. The PAI Plus Clinical Interpretive Report also includes informative text. The PAI Plus Clinical Interpretive Report does not include new interpretive text regarding the supplemental indices, context-specific norm groups, or Alternative Model of Personality Disorders profile.

Features of the PAI Plus Score and Clinical Interpretive Reports

Feature	PAI Plus Score Report	PAI Plus Interpretive Report
Additional supplemental indices	Yes	Yes
Context-specific normative groups coefficients of fit	Yes	Yes
Context-specific normative group profile overlay (optional)	Yes	Yes
DSM-5 diagnostic possibilities	No	Yes
Alternative Model of Personality Disorders profile (optional)	No	Yes

Q: Can we get references to the new supplemental interpretive indices?

A: Please see the attached list of references from the PAI Plus Professional Manual Supplement

Q: How much weight should we give the new distortion scales?

A: With the exception of Back Random Responding, these supplemental indices have very limited cross validation research. They should be considered experimental and interpreted with caution pending additional cross validation research.

Q: Will there be narrative interpretations available for the new supplemental interpretive indices and Alternative Model for Personality Disorders scales? Where can we get information on how to interpret these scales?

A: The PAI Plus Professional Manual Supplement provides an overview and brief interpretive commentary of the PAI Plus scores for the new supplemental interpretive indices and Alternative Model for Personality Disorders.

Q: Can you please send the slides?

A: The presentation slide deck is available on the PAR Training Portal. Attendees will receive a separate email from PAR that will include this link as well as a link to a feedback survey and a certificate of attendance.

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