

Participant ID: _____

Date: _____

Moral Injury Survey—Care Provider Questionnaire Version

Thank you for participating in this survey. The aim of this study is to improve our understanding of the impact of particular types of stressful events.

This is an anonymous survey. All of your responses will be kept strictly confidential and shared only with the investigators. The investigators will not be able to identify you or contact you.

Below, we ask you to tell us whether you have worked with service members or veterans who were exposed to different types of potentially *morally injurious* events, which are military, peacekeeping, or warzone experiences that transgressed or violated their deeply held beliefs about right and wrong. If you have worked with service members or veterans who have had these experiences, we ask that you answer some questions about your clinical observations of the psychological, social, behavioural, and spiritual impact of the events.

Our goal is to better understand moral injury *as an outcome*. We want to know, from your vantage point, how service members or veterans suffer as a result of morally compromising experiences in the military. There are no right or wrong answers. Feel free to brainstorm, but, please provide specific details about observable behaviours and specific issues, feelings, and behaviours that service members or veterans shared with you. For each question that applies, we ask that you write as much information as you can. Please give yourself as much time as you need to consider each question.

1.A. In your work with war veterans (active duty service members or veterans), has any service member or veteran with whom you worked ever experienced any of the following and felt that their moral code or values were violated by the experience? They may have concluded immediately that this was a moral violation or made this judgment at a later time. (You can check more than one):

I have worked with service members or veterans who:

- ☐ A. Harmed an enemy combatant or civilian outside the Rules of Engagement (for example, applying unnecessary or excessive violence)
- ☐ B. Made a mistake or failed in a task (including decisions made in a leadership role) in which someone was harmed as a result
- ☐ C. Saw an immoral act (or acts) and did nothing to stop it
- ☐ D. Killed within the Rules of Engagement
- ☐ E. Treated the helpless with disrespect (e.g., children, elderly, animals)
- ☐ F. Harmed a fellow service member (for example, physically or emotionally abusive behaviour)
- ☐ G. Did or failed to do something else (please describe briefly):

- How have the event(s) changed the service members/veterans with whom you have worked? Consider any of the following:
 - The way they see themselves
 - The way they care for themselves
 - Their plans for the future
 - If things seem unreal at times or they feel out of touch (i.e., flashbacks/dissociation)
 - How they are physically
 - How they react when reminded of the experience (their thoughts and feelings)

- How have the event(s) changed their relationships with family, friends, romantic partners and/or co-workers? Consider any of the following:
 - Trust in other people
 - Dealing with authority figures
 - How close or distant they feel towards others
 - How they care for others

- How have the event(s) affected the way they make sense of life and its meaning? Consider the following:
 - Their spirituality or religious beliefs (faith)
 - Their understanding of right and wrong
 - The principles that guide their lives

1.F. Considering all of the experiences on a scale between 0 (*not at all*) to 100 (*as bad as it could be*), how distressing and haunting, on average, are these experiences for the service members/veterans with whom you have worked? (Write in a number between 0 and 100) _____

1.G. On a scale from 0 (*not at all*) to 100 (*completely*), how much have these experiences, on average, changed how the service members/veterans with whom you have worked define themselves (their identity)? (Write in a number between 0 and 100) _____

2.A. In your work with war veterans (active duty service members or veterans), has any service member or veteran with whom you worked ever experienced any of the following and felt that their moral code or values were violated by the experience? They may have concluded immediately that this was a moral violation or made this judgment at a later time. (You can check more than one):

I have worked with service members or veterans who experienced the following:

- ☐ A. Another person caused harm to them and/or others or put them and/or others in harm's way
- ☐ B. Another person made a decision or acted in some way (or failed to act) and they and/or others were harmed as a result
- ☐ C. They witnessed another person cause harm to a fellow service member (for example, physically or emotionally abusive behaviour)
- ☐ D. They witnessed another person cause harm to an enemy combatant or civilian outside the Rules of Engagement (for example, through unnecessary or excessive force)
- ☐ E. They witnessed another person treat the helpless with disrespect (e.g., children, elderly, animals)
- ☐ F. They witnessed (or was affected by) another person making a mistake or failing in some way and others were harmed as a result
- ☐ G. Another person did or failed to do something else (please describe briefly):

If you did not check any boxes, please skip to the demographic form.

2.B. What percentage of the service members/veterans with whom you work has reported these types of experiences? _____ %

2.C. If you checked multiple boxes, have you noticed that one of these types of experiences is more distressing and haunting to service members/veterans than the others? __YES __NO

2.D. If YES, please write the letter here: _____

2.E. Now we would like to know about **the ways that the lives of the service members or veterans with whom you have worked have changed as a result of the experiences.** *When answering the following questions, feel free to think of specific cases or write about your impressions in general. (Please be careful not to include any identifying information).*

- How have the event(s) affected the way they make sense of life and its meaning?
Consider the following:
 - Their spirituality or religious beliefs (faith)
 - Their understanding of right and wrong
 - The principles that guide their lives

2.F. Considering all of the experiences on a scale between 0 (*not at all*) to 100 (*as bad as it could be*), how distressing and haunting, on average, are these experiences for the service members/veterans with whom you have worked? (Write in a number between 0 and 100) _____

2.G. On a scale from 0 (*not at all*) to 100 (*completely*), how much have these experiences, on average, changed how service members/veterans define themselves (their identity)? (Write in a number between 0 and 100) _____

3A. Finally, we would like to ask you about what it is like for you to work with service members/veterans with moral injury.

- How have you approached working with service members/veterans to address these issues (e.g., a particular stance, technique, or orientation; manualized approaches)?
 - What are the pros and cons of the approaches you have used?

- What more do you think is needed to best promote healing among service members/veterans with these issues?
- What are some of the major challenges of working with service members/veterans to address moral injury?

Please complete the demographics form on the following pages.

DEMOGRAPHICS FORM

Please complete the following information about yourself.

1. Gender:

- ☐ Man
- ☐ Woman
- ☐ Transgender
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

2. Age: _____

3. Which do you consider your ethnicity?

- ☐ Hispanic or Latino
- ☐ Not Hispanic or Latino

4. Which do you consider your race?

- ☐ American Indian/Alaskan Native
- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ White
- ☐ Other, *please specify*: _____

5. In what capacity do you provide care to service members or war veterans?

- ☐ Trainee
- ☐ Clinical Psychologist
- ☐ Counselor
- ☐ Chaplain/Clergy
- ☐ Psychiatrist
- ☐ Social Worker
- ☐ Other, *please specify*: _____

6. What is the highest level of education that you have completed? (*Check one*)

- ☐ Associates Degree
- ☐ 4-year College Degree
- ☐ Master's Degree
- ☐ Doctoral Degree (Ph.D., Psy.D. Th.D., etc.)

7. What percentage of your work time involves activities related to providing clinical care?

_____ %

8. In what setting do you currently provide care to service members or war veterans?

- ☐ Community Living Center
- ☐ Community Based Outpatient Clinic

- ☐ Domiciliary
- ☐ Inpatient Mental Health Unit
- ☐ OEF/OIF/OND Clinic
- ☐ Mental Health Clinic
- ☐ MHICM
- ☐ Veteran residence – Home Based Primary Care (HBPC)
- ☐ PTSD Clinical Team
- ☐ Primary Care
- ☐ Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Clinic
- ☐ PRRC/Day Treatment
- ☐ Polytrauma Clinic
- ☐ MST Clinic
- ☐ Community/Non-VA
- ☐ Other Location, *please specify:* _____

9. How long have you been working with service members or war veterans?
_____ years

10. Are you a military veteran?

_____ Yes _____ No

If “No” please skip to question 14

11. What was your highest rank held? (*Enter 1-9 in the appropriate box*)

Enlisted or Officer or Warrant Officer

12. How long were you in the military?

Years Months

13. What was your branch of service?

_____ Air Force _____ Army _____ Coast Guard
_____ Marines _____ Navy _____ U.S. Public Health Service

14. Is any member of your family a military veteran or service member?

Yes _____ No _____

If “No” please skip to question 16

15. What is your relationship to the veteran/service member:

16. Have you received training on the military ethos, military organization and roles, or other aspects of military culture?

_____Yes _____No

17. If “Yes” what type of training have you received?

- ☐ Online tutorial
- ☐ Undergraduate level coursework
- ☐ Masters level coursework
- ☐ Doctoral level coursework
- ☐ Didactic Seminar
- ☐ Multiple-day training
- ☐ Conference Symposium/Presentation
- ☐ Other, *please specify*: _____

Thank you for participating in this survey. We appreciate the time you have taken to answer these questions. The information that you have provided will assist us in understanding the range of potential impacts of stressful military events.